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	On April 10, 1992, at approximately 10:15 a.m.,	
Attorney		
telephone	e telephonically contacted the complaint	:
duty agen	nt at the Chicago FBI office to furnish information g an extortion involving his clienty, DICK GREGORY. On	
the line	with were DICK GREGORY and his wife	
,	GREGORY advised that his full name is RICHARD C.	
GREGORY.	He was born October 12, 1932, in St. Louis, Missouri.	
He and hi	is wife reside at Tower Hill Farm, Independence	
	Plymouth, Massachusetts 02361, telephone (508) 224-6706,	,
o2361.	have Post Office Box 3270, Plymouth, Massachusetts	
02301.		
	GREGORY is currently doing business as CORRECTION	
CONNECTIO	ON INCORPORATED (CCI), DICK GREGORY HEALTH ENTERPRISES,	<b>b</b> 6
	phia, Pennsylvania. His business partner is ho resides in Baltimore, Maryland, and has telephone	b70
<u> </u>	GREGORY markets a weight-loss product known as	
	mian Diet. GREGORY received a lot of publicity when he	
	ith WALTER HUDSON, a man who weighed about 1500 pounds	
	weight using the Bahamian Diet. HUDSON subsequently the weight, and he recently died.	
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	GREGORY related that Chicago resident	Blm
	lling him at his residence in Massachusetts more/than a	
year ado. When	and he has been calling continually since that time. began calling, he weighed more than 800 pounds.	
	talked to about his diet and advised him to eat	
nothing b	but rice at night. GREGORY gave tips on flavoring	ĵ
the rice,	, and he sent a couple of cases of the Bahamian 3	133
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Diet at no charge. GREGORY has also been trying to locate a residential weight-loss facility for	b6 b7C
was very enthusiastic about the diet and told GREGORY that he was losing a lot of weight.	
In late 1991, talk show host MONTEL WILLIAMS asked GREGORY if he could recommend an overweight person to appear on a show he was doing about people who were stared at. GREGORY recommended and his girlfriend subsequently appeared on WILLIAMS' television show in Los Angeles.	
In January, 1992, GREGORY, and appeared on the GERALDO RIVERA show.	
also appeared on a local program in Cincinnati.	
About 10 days to 2 weeks ago, a man who identified himself as called the GREGORY residence in Massachusetts and spoke to asked for DICK GREGORY and was told that GREGORY was not there. said that he was calling about He said that GREGORY had on his products and had promised to put in a weight-loss facility, but he had not done it. said that was not doing well, and wanted to speak to DICK GREGORY immediately. Said that if he did not hear from GREGORY immediately, he was going to get lawyers. left his telephone number, said that she would give her husband the message.	
has also called within the last two weeks, and has tried to contact GREGORY.	
Recently, called in Baltimore and said that they were going to go to the press because Mr. GREGORY had not contacted them. He urged to have GREGORY contact them right away, and he said that they were both black brothers and it didn't have to end like this if only Mr. GREGORY would call.	b6 b7C
On Thursday morning, April 9, 1992. contacted GREGORY and GREGORY instructed to tell to do whatever he wanted to do. related the message to	
telephone contacted the GREGORYs and He stated that had told CBS that he had never used GREGORY's product, among other things. said that was considering airing the story.	

GREGORY stated that no money ever changed hands between him and and they had no written agreements. GREGORY wanted to help lose weight, and he knew that did not have much money, so he did not charge anything for the Bahamian Diet. GREGORY was also willing to make arrangements for to enter a weight-loss facility at no cost to	b6 b7С
has telephone	
On April 10, 1992, at approximately 11 a.m.,  born telephone telephone GREGORY's attorney. advised he is GREGORY's business partner and best friend.	
was in advised that his first contact with and his girlfriend, when they traveled to Los Angeles to appear on the MONTEL WILLIAMS show traveled with them to Los Angeles.	
At about that time, GREGORY told that he would try to get and his girlfriend into a weight-loss facility. GREGORY does not have his own facility, but he has been trying to locate a facility that would accept and his girlfriend. advised that for financial and insurance reasons, it has been very difficult to locate a facility that would take However, they have found a facility in Mexico that might be willing to take him.	
Since the trip to Los Angeles, has been calling about once a week, usually on Sunday evenings. often asks when he will be able to get into the facility, and tries to explain to him that it will take some time to make the arrangements, and it could take months.	
About 10 days ago. received a call from the live-in girlfriend.  was on the line with had a very abrasive and threatening attitude. He demanded to talk to DICK GREGORY and he said that he was tired of this. The fat boy was not doing well. He had been doing well when he was seeing a doctor, but since he went on the DICK GREGORY diet, he has not been doing well. said that he was going to contact lawyers and the GERALDO RIVERA people and tell them that	b6 b7С
had been used by GREGORY.	

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Immediately after the call, called   back.
said that this was the first time he had heard that
had been seeing a doctor and losing weight before he contacted
GREGORY for help. It was also the first time that he had heard
that was having any problems with the DICK GREGORY diet.
that if what said was true should
go back to seeing the doctor and forget about the DICK GREGORY
diet. I lagain explained to! Ithat it was taking longer
than they thought to find a weight-loss facility for
because of financial and insurance problems. told
that had called because he was concerned about his
daughter, but noted that never mentioned his daughter in their conversation wanted to know why
daughter in their conversation. wanted to know why
was now saying that he had been doing well before and that he was
not doing well with the GREGORY diet.   said that he was
just frustrated.
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On about April 5, 1992, received a second call
from asked for DICK GREGORY, and said
that he was not there. then said, "Listen, 1'm just as
black as you. I don't want to do anything to hurt another black
person. If it were a white person, I wouldn't care. But you and
me are black brothers."
wanted to know when they were going to be able
to get into a facility. He wanted to know why they could
not do something at home. He also offered to let them use
a big house in Mississippi which he owns. told told
that they were looking into a place in Mexico, and then
said, "Okay, I'll tell   not to talk to no more people."
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During this conversation, said that BARBARA
WALTERS and 20/20 had been calling them. He also said that they
had talked to the GERALDO RIVERA people.
On Wednesday, April 8, 1992, called and
said that if Mr. GREGORY didn't call him, he was going to "start
acting crazy."
On Thursday, April 9. 1992, at about 5:45 a.m. Eastern
time, called and asked for a number where
GREGORY could be reached.   Said that he did not have a
number. told to tell GREGORY to call them before 9
a.m. that morning or they would go to the press.
was in contact with GREGORY that morning, and
GREGORY instructed to tell to feel free to contact
any press people he wanted and that Mr. GREGORY respected his
right to go to the press.

called after 9 a.m. and gave him the message from GREGORY. seemed to back off, and he said something like "I guess Mr. GREGORY is used to people attacking
him." then asked if he would pray for him, and
said that he would pray that whatever did, he would be
successful in losing weight.   said that he would call
back later.
Later that day, received a call from of CBS in Chicago. told him that had said that he had never used the Bahamian Diet and that he had been told to lie when he appeared on the television programs. He had been told to exaggerate what he used to eat and make up other stories. also said that GREGORY had promised him money. stated that all of the statements that made to were false.  At 10 p.m. Eastern time that night, called and asked him how everything went. said that everything went fine.
stated that he felt that was motivated by personal gain rather than by any concern for or his daughter.
angry about some advice that GREGORY had given nim. Shortly after the GERALDO RIVERA show, contacted GREGORY and said that the National Enquirer had offered him several thousand dollars to do a story on his weight loss. asked GREGORY for his opinion, and GREGORY advised him against accepting the offer because it could prevent him from sharing his story with other media in the future.
Chicago indices were negative concerning CORRECTION CONNECTION INC., and
and but there is insufficient information available to determine whether or not the references are identical.
Chicago indices contain numerous references to RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY, born 10/12/32 in St. Louis, Missouri.

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Muhammad Ali, true name Cassius Glay, is former heavy weight boxing

champion of the world and a self admitted member of the Nation of Islam (NOI).

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

The Nation of Islam (NOI) is an allblack nationwide organization headquartered at Muhammad's Temple 2, 7351 South Stony Island Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, under the guidance of Elijah Muhammad, selfstyled "Messenger of Allah" and alleged divinely appointed leader of the black race in the United States. Its purpose is separation of the black man from the

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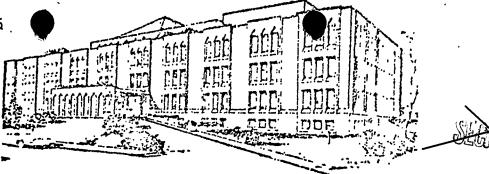
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BN, December 12, 1975, page 2, sets forth an article titled, "Cleveland Praises Model Community," date lined Cleveland. It reflects: U

The city government here proclaimed November 17, 1975, "Nation of Islam Day" and lauded the Muslims for "providing a model of a crime free community."....

The proclamation was read at an Awards Banquet in the Sheraton-Cleveland hotel honoring the pioneers of the Nation of Islam. Several local political and community leaders attended the enthusiastic affair. The keynote speaker was ELIJAH MUHAMMAD II, Chief Captain of the Nation of Islam....

The week of November 17-21 was proclaimed "Nation of Islam Week" in the 21st Congressional District in Ohio by Congressman LOUIS STOKES, D-Ohio.

The event was sponsored by Temple No. 18 under the leadership of Minister ALT RASHED....

MS, December 12, 1975, page 3, sets forth an article titled, "Journalist lauds Nation of Islam," date lined Chicago. It reflects:

In the process of commercial empirebuilding, the Nation of Islam has not forgotten "the quality of soul."

ALFRED DUCKETT, National President and Board Chairperson of the Society of Writers and Editors (WE) recently made the above observation in a letter of praise to HERBERT MUHAMMAD, a brother and consultant of the Honorable W.D. MUHAMMAD, Chief Minister of the Nation of Islam.

Mr. DUCKETT's message to Mr. MUHAMMAD cited the unique coperation extended his organization of which humorist and social activist, DICK GREGORY, is Honorary Chairperson.

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Mr. GREGORY, comes here the first week end in December for an appearance at the Muslim-owned Saldam Restaurant, 8300 South Cottage Grove....

BN December 12, 1975, page 5 sets forth a photograph and an accompanying article which reflects that at a recent reception for "African Magazine" RALPH UWECHUE, Editor in Chief, praised BN for its expansive and excellent coverage on events in the African continent. U

BN, December 12, 1975, page 31, sets forth an article titled, "Jacksonville, Florida, Recognizes Leaders," date lined Jacksonville, Florida. It reflects:

Chief Minister W.D. MUHAMMAD, leader of the Nation of Islam was presented the key to the city of Jacksonville by Mr. ALTON YATES, assistant to Mayor HANS TANZLER.

Minister JAM MUHAMMAD accepted the key on behalf of the Chief Minister.

The occasion was the city's first Bilalian Leadership Banquet sponsored by Temple No. 66 at the spacious Hilton Ballroom along the St. John's River...

BN, December 19, 1975, page 11, sets forth a photograph and an accompanying sub-caption which reflects DAVID MILLER, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor of Dallas (Texas) has presented a "MUHAMMAD Appreciation Day" proclamation to representatives of MT 48 (Dallas). (

BN, December 19, 1975, page 11, sets forth a photograph with an accompanying sub-caption which reflects Senator HUBERT HUMPHREY had recently met with MUHAMMAD ALI and was looking over ALI's recently published auto-biography.

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Director
From John R. Dunne
Federal Bureau of Investigation Assistant Attorney General
Attn: CRU, Rm. 1B948
Civil Rights Division

Reference is made to attached correspondence dated April 2, 1992 and to accompanying news articles wherein Dick Gregory alleges that he was falsely arrested and mistreated by the subject on March 21, 1992. Mr. Gregory also indicates that he possesses information about the alleged mistreatment of members of the minority community by officers of the St. Louis Police

Inasmuch as these allegations indicate possible violations of 18 U.S.C. §242, please conduct the following limited investigation:

- Interview Mr. Gregory concerning the circumstances surrounding his arrest on March 21, 1992. Also, inquire as to information which he has concerning the alleged mistreatment of others by police officers in St. Louis. Please conduct appropriate follow-up investigation.
- Obtain copies of police reports concerning Mr. Gregory's arrest.
- 3. The attached news article dated March 25, 1992 contains allegations that the subject used excessive force during an arrest on January 12, 1992. Please identify and interview the alleged victims and obtain copies of the police reports concerning this incident.

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Mr. Dick Gregory
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April 2, 1992

Mr. John Dunne: Assistant U. S. Attorney U. S. Justice Department Civil Rights Division Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Attorney Dunne:

This correspondence will serve as a formal complaint from me to the United States Justice Department regarding the St. Louis Police Department.

I'm requesting that your office launch a full scale investigation here to determine whether the practices and procedures used by the department have been and are violating a number of people's rights.

I feel that some of the department's members are "out of control." On March 21, 1992, I was wrongly accused and arrested. After it was learned that I was 'Dick Gregory', several police officers attempted to frame me and make me fit the description of someone they knew I was not.

I'm outraged that this kind of injustice was done to me. I've dedicated my life and resources to fighting injustices all over this country.

I'm proud to be among the many men and women, black and white, who have and are willing to give their lives to make America work right. For "out of control" police officers to make wrongful arrests and fabricate stories to frame people is a great miscarriage of justice.

I believe that there exists a pattern (history) of racial discrimination in the treatment of minorities when they come into contact with the police department here in St. Louis.

I'd like your office begin your investigation is ediately, before anymore wrongful, demeaning, arrests are allowed to occur, and before any frame - ups can be concocted by officers who hold the power to determine whether a man goes to jail because he's done wrong or is set free because he's done nothing wrong.

Since my wrongful arrest, several members of the minority community have contacted me to tell of the horrible encounters they've had with the St. Louis Police under the auspices of enforcing the law.

I believe the officers feel free to flex their muscles as they see fit, without respect for code enforcement or procedure. I blame this on the higher ranking officials who'e in charge of making sure the department works effectively are looking in another direction.

I'll be remaining in St. Louis to deal with the situation pertaining to me, and would like to know immediately your plans pursuant to the exploration of police brutality and improprieties in the St. Louis Police Department.

Sincerely

Dick Gregory

## Allegation

## Gregory Accuses Police Of Cover-up In His Arrest

By Bill Bryan

Of the Post-Dispatch Staff

Civil rights activist Dick Gregory said Monday that St. Louis police were guilty of a cover-up in their handling of his arrest Saturday on suspicion of peace disturbance.

"I'm outraged, totally outraged," Gregory said at a news conference at the local office of the NAACP.

"For the first eight minutes, before they knew who I was, I was just another [black man]," he said, using a racial epithet.

"Then when they realized they were dealing with Dick Gregory, a simple case of mistaken identity turned into a cover-up."

Gregory also said he planned:

To ask for a federal investigation of the police See GREGORY, Page 4

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TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 1992 •

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## Gregory

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department to see if there was a pattern of abuse of people's civil rights.

■ To file a \$100 million suit over his treatment by police. He said he did not yet know the specifics of the suit.

■ To organize a series of demonstrations to publicize police abuse. "There will be some doors chained," he said. He said he would not disclose the targets of the demonstrations.

C. John Pleban, a lawyer for the police department, said the department was investigating the arrest, "but we would hope that Mr. Gregory will cooperate and give us a statement.'

"He's been invited to give a statement, but thus far he has not appeared." Pleban said.

Gregory was arrested Saturday afternoon while walking in the 300 block of North Euclid Avenue after a clerk at the Golden Grocer health food store, at 335 North Euclid Avenue,

reported a shoplifting incident.

The clerk, Barry Kepp, initially identified Gregory as the shoplifter.

Gregory said he then warned the clerk: "Don't let these hillbilly white boys [police] get you into trouble. I'm Dick Gregory. If you frame me, I'll picket this store ... and shut it down."

Then Kepp said Gregory was not

the shoplifter, police said. On Sunday, Gregory said police had coerced Kepp into identifying him.

On Monday, Kepp agreed, saying police had coerced him.

"I was scared to death, shaking like a leaf," Kepp, 33, said in an interview. "I didn't want a face-to-face confrontation. At first, the guy in the police car [Gregory] did look like the shoplifter, but then I got a better look and could see that it was not."

Kepp said the differences between the shoplifter and Gregory were that the shoplifter had had a stubble beard, while Gregory has a full beard; and the shoplifter had a white X on his baseball cap, while Gregory had a red and green X on his cap.

But the official police report later said Kepp had identified the shoplifter as having a full beard and a red and green X on his cap.

That's part of a cover-up, Gregory said. "There's only one cap in the country with a red and green X, and I've got it. I challenge the press or the police to find another one anywhere,"

After Kepp said Gregory was not the thief, police told Gregory he was free to go. But Gregory became bellig-



Gary Bohn/Post-Dispatch

Civil rights activist Dick Gregspeaking Monday NAACP headquarters, North Euclid.

was scared to death, shaking like a leaf. I didn't want a face-to-face confrontation. ""

BARRY KEPP. clerk at store

erent, police said, and was arrested on suspicion of peace disturbance.

Before police knew his identity, Gregory said, he was thrown against a wall and handcuffed. One officer cursed him, using profanity.

"I've got dignity, and I'm not going to take treatment like that," Gregory

Gregory said he had refused to be released on a peace disturbance summons and retrieve his property which included more than \$900 in cash - because he feared the police would plant drugs on him.

Gregory, a former St. Louisan, has been in this area often recently to support choreographer Katherine Dunham's fast to protest the forced repatriation of Haitian refugees.

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## Officer In Gregory Incident Probed

## Complaint Says He, Others Beat Suspects In January

A police officer who Dick Gregory says treated him rudely on Saturday is under investigation for an earlier incident involving allegations of police brutality.

The officer, Michael Marks, 25, is being investigated by the police department's internal affairs division, after a complaint was filed against him and other officers who arrested a woman and her two sons on Jan. 12.

The suspects — arrested on suspicion of misdemeanor assault and interfering with a police officer — said they had been beaten after one of them was stopped for a traffic violation near Enright Avenue and

Sarah Street.

Police said they had had to use force in making the arrests after they were assaulted by the woman and her sons. The investigation is pending.

At a press conference Tuesday at the St. Louis office of the NAACP, Gregory repeated his intention to file a \$100 million suit against the police and to hold demonstrations over his recent arrest on suspicion of peace disturbance.

The civil rights activist was arrested Saturday in the Central West End after being stopped on the street by Marks, who was investigating a shoplifting incident.

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REFERENCE: Bureau airtel and enclosures to St. Louis, 4/16/92;

St. Louis FD-610, dated 4/20/90;

St. Louis teletype to Bureau, 4/23/92.

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE:

GREGORY was arrested by the ST. LOUIS POLICE DEPARTMENT (SLPD) on a shoplifting charge on 3/21/92. He was released when victim clerk advised he was the wrong man. GREGORY thereafter

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ST. LOUIS POLICE DEPARTMENT, ST. LOUIS MISSOURI; RICHARD C. GREGORY, aka Richard Gregory, Dick Gregory - VICTIM

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appeared at the FBI Office with an entourage and handed Agents a press release. He refused to be interviewed. He wrote to Mr. JOHN R. DUNNE, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, alleging unspecified mistreatment. He further alleged a pattern of civil rights abuse by the SLPD directed toward the minority community.

The Bureau thereafter directed that the St. Louis Office open a civil rights investigation based on DOJ's request and that GREGORY be interviewed to ascertain the details of his complaint. GREGORY left St. Louis before that could be accomplished. A lead was sent to the Boston Division to locate and interview GREGORY based on the return address of GREGORY's letter. On 5/11/92, Boston Division advised GREGORY's house may have been seized by a local bank and he has since moved. Boston has yet to locate GREGORY. This report will therefore be kept in a pending status until GREGORY can be located and interviewed.

On 4/15/92, Captain SLPD, was advised that a civil rights investigation had been initiated concerning this matter.

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#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Federal Bureau of Investigation

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ST. LOUIS POLICE DEPARTMENT,

ST. LOU<del>IS, MISSOURI;</del>

RICHARD C. GREGORY - VICTIM

current civil rights complaint.

Character:

CIVIL RIGHTS (A)

Synopsis:

RICHARD C. GREGORY (black male, date of birth 10/12/32) appeared at the St. Louis FBI Office with an entourage of approximately eight others on 3/25/92. He handed a press release to the Agents stating that he was not present to make a formal complaint and that when he made a formal complaint he would call for an appointment. Instead, he wrote a letter to the Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights JOHN R. DUNN. He alleged a pattern of abuse and requested a full investigation of the ST. LOUIS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT (SLPD). GREGORY was arrested by the SLPD on 3/21/92. The initial stop was made to ascertain if GREGORY was the subject of a shoplifting at the Golden Grocer. At first the clerk identified GREGORY, then changed his mind and said GREGORY was not the shoplifter. GREGORY "refused" to be released and was thereafter arrested for Peace Disturbance and later held a press conference. Investigation at the Days Inn at the Park revealed that GREGORY had departed St. Louis. Indices checks for reveal one civil rights investigation. Indices checks for GREGORY reveal no record other than

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Criminal checks for Show one arrest.

Computer checks for GREGORY show four minor arrests.

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DETAILS: AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Investigation into captioned matter was initiated based upon a request by the DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (DOJ).

### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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At approximately 12:45 PM, an individual who identified himself as DICK GREGORY voluntarily appeared in the reception room of the St. Louis Office of the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI). GREGORY was accompanied by approximately eight other individuals, one of whom was carrying a video camera and appeared to be recording the visit.

At approximately 12:55 PM, the below-named Special Agents (SAs) greeted GREGORY, who identified himself by name and immediately provided SA with a three-page typed document, entitled "NEWS RELEASE." GREGORY stated that the document detailed an incident which he said occurred the previous evening at a church in St. Louis. GREGORY advised the below-named SAs that his visit to the FBI Office was not to make a "formal complaint" but only to drop off the "NEWS RELEASE." He advised that when he makes a "formal complaint" he will call for an appointment.

GREGORY, and all those accompanying him, then departed the reception room.

The "NEWS RELEASE" provided by GREGORY is attached hereto.

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## REWS RELEASE

ON MARCH 24, 1992, A GROUP OF MINISTERS, MOTHERS,

FATHERS, COMMUNITY LEADERS, VOTERS AND ORDINARY CITIZENS OF,

ST. LOUIS MET WITH AND IN SUPPORT OF DICK GREGORY, THE CIVIL

RIGHTS ACTIVIST WHO WAS ARRESTED ON MARCH 23, 1992 AND

FALSELY ACCUSED OF PEACE DISTURBANCE. THE MEETING TOOK

PLACE AT THE WASHINGTON A.M.E. ZION CHURCH, 613 GARRISON AND

WAS ATTENDED BY AN OVERFLOW CROWD OF SUPPORTERS.

SOMETHING VERY STRANGE, ANTI-AMERICAN AND THOROUGHLY UNCONSTITUTIONAL HAPPENED. A DETECTIVE ASSIGNED TO THE ST. LOUIS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT INTELLIGENCE UNIT, OFFICER KEENA, WAS OBSERVED TAKING DOWN LICENSE NUMBERS OF VEHICLES OF PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE AT THE RALLY.

WE ARE OUTRAGED BY THIS ACTION. WHO AUTHORIZED THIS 'INTIMIDATING TACTIC?

WHY, IN THIS DAY AND AGE DID THE POLICE FEEL THAT THEY
COULD INTIMIDATE BLACK CITIZENS IN THIS WAY. WHY, IN
AMERICA, DO THE POLICE FEEL THAT THEY CAN INSULT THE
INTEGRITY OF THE BLACK PERSONS OF THIS COMMUNITY WHO ARE
PEACEABLY ASSEMBLED IN A BLACK CHURCH FOR THIS RALLY? WHAT
WAS THE PURPOSE OR DESIGN? WHY WAS IT NECESSARY? IT
WASN'T. IT IS AN OUTRAGE.

THIS RALLY WAS AN OPEN MEETING THAT WAS ATTENDED BY THE MEDIA.

THIS IS NOT NAZI GERMANY IN THE DAYS OF HITLER, WHEN ANY DISSENTERS MUST BE INTIMIDATED AND SILENCED.

ALL PEOPLE HAVE A RIGHT UNDER THE UNITED STATES

CONSTITUTION TO FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND ASSEMBLY, TO PROTEST

OR SUPPORT THE PROTEST OF OTHER CITIZENS.

WHY HAVEN'T THE LICENSE NUMBERS OF DRUG DEALERS OR ITS CUSTOMERS BEEN TAKEN DOWN?

WHERE WAS DET. KEENA WHEN WHITE CUSTOMERS PATRONIZING
PROSTITUTION DROVE DOWN WASHINGTON AND THE STROLL? WHY
WASN'T HE ASSIGNED TO TAKE THEIR LICENSE NUMBERS?

WHY ARE CRIMINALS ALLOWED TO ASSEMBLE AND SHOOT, KILL AND SELL DRUGS WHILE THE CHURCH, ITS LEADERS AND THIS COMMUNITY IS UNDER ATTACK BY THESE INTIMIDATING TACTICS?

WHEN THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY OR THE KKK MEET, ARE LICENSE NUMBERS TAKEN? NO. WHEN THE AMERICAN NAZI PARTY OR THE MAFIA MEET, ARE LICENSE NUMBERS TAKEN? IF NOT, WHY NOT?

ARE MEETINGS AT WHITE CHURCHES MONITORED AND ARE
LICENSE NUMBERS OF ITS MINISTERS, MEMBERS, VISITORS AND
SUPPORTERS TAKEN? IF NOT, WHY NOT?

WHEN PEOPLE ASSEMBLE AT WHITE CHURCHES TO PLAY BINGO,
ARE THEIR LICENSE NUMBERS TAKEN?

ATTENDED BY THOSE WHO DARED NOT TO FEAR AND WERE WILLING TO STAND WITH DIGNITY AGAINST POLICE BRUTALITY, REPRISALS OR MISCONDUCT. THEY WERE WILLING TO PUBLICLY ATTEND SUCH A MEETING AND SUPPORT THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE TREATMENT OF CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST, DICK GREGORY, AND THE TREATMENT OF ALL BLACK CITIZENS IN THIS COMMUNITY AT THE HANDS OF THE POLICE.

WE DEMAND A FULL INVESTIGATION BY THE FBI, THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AND ALL CONCERNED ORGANIZATIONS TO DETERMINE WHO AUTHORIZED AND ASSIGNED DET. KEENA OR INTELLIGENCE TO WRITE DOWN LICENSE NUMBERS OF ORDINARY CITIZENS GATHERED AT THIS PEACEFUL RALLY. WE DEMAND TO KNOW WHAT HAS BEEN DONE WITH THE LICENSE NUMBERS OF OUR CITIZENS. WE DEMAND TO KNOW WHO GAVE THESE ORDERS AND WHY. JUSTICE DEMANDS AN ANSWER.

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The following items were received by Mr. JOHN DUNNE Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, from DICK GREGORY. They were forwarded to the St. Louis Office of the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, arriving April 23, 1992. They are a letter to Mr. DUNNE from Mr. GREGORY and newspaper articles relating to Mr. GREGORY's arrest on March 21, 1992.

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### ST.LOUIS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT \*\*POLICE INCIDENT REPORTING SYSTEM INCIDENT REPORT

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INCIDENT

Incident Tupe: 249999 GENFRAL DISORDERLY CONDUCT OFFENSE

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ST. LOUIS ALLEY

MO 63108

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VICTIM

NAME: LAST

CITY OF ST LOUIS

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REL. TO SUSPECT:

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RELATIONSHIP UNKNOWN

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Date: ) 05/29/92 Time: 11:00

i. Haj, On 3-21-92, at approximately 4:40 p.m., I was in the area of Euclid Avenue and Maryland looking for a subject whose description had recently been broadcast for an attempt larceny at the Golden Grocery on North Euclid Avenue.

assigned to area car who was standing next to his vehicle. PO proceeded to give me a further detailed description of the subject wanted for the attempt larceny which he was handling, as he had just completed his interview with the witness.

PO stated that he received the description from the clerk at the Golden Grocery, which was as follows:

black male in his early fifties, approximately 5'9" in height, approximately 180 lbs., having a gray and black beard and moustache. The wanted subject was wearing a brown leather jacket, blue jeans, and a black baseball cap with an "X" on the front of the ball cap. PO further stated that the subject was last seen south on Euclid.

After being informed of this updated description I proceeded to continue southbound on Euclid, when I observed a subject who closely matched the description I had just received from PO This subject was on the east side of Euclid Avenue walking north across Maryland.

This subject, who was a black male in his mid fifties, was approximately 5'10" tall, 160 lbs., having a black and gray colored board and moustache. The subject was wearing a black ball cap with an "X" on the front of it, and was wearing blue jeans, and had on a knee length olive green colored coat, which was trimmed in brown leather around it's collar and sleeve areas.

I proceeded to turn my police vehicle around and follow this subject. I then attempted to have the dispatcher make radio contact with PO to advise him of my location and this possible wanted subject. The dispatcher was unable to make radio contact with PO

Due to the fact that the subject closely matched the description of the subject wanted for the attempt larceny, I proceeded to pull into the north alley of the 4600 block of Maryland and exited my police vehicle. I then informed the dispatcher that I had a possible suspect wanted for the attempt larceny at the Golden Grocery.

As I exited my police vehicle the subject was in the process of walking across the mouth of the alley and continued to walk north on Euclid. b7C

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I called to the subject to stop, at which time the subject turned his head toward me and stated, "You have no probable cause to stop me." The suspect continued to walk north on Euclid.

I then informed him that he matched the description of a subject wanted for an attempt larceny from a store in the area, and I again asked this subject to stop. To this the subject stated that, "I was a liar," and again stated, "I had no probable cause to stop him."

I then proceeded to walk up to the subject and place my hand on his right shoulder. After placing my hand on his shoulder the subject stopped walking and turned toward me and stated. "That I was going to be very sorry that I ever got out of bed this morning." He defiantly added that, "I was only stopping him because he was a black man in a white neighborhood."

I again informed him that he matched the description of a wanted subject and that if he had done nothing wrong, he didn't have to worry about it, because I would release him as soon as he was viewed by the witness.

I then asked the subject if he had any type of identification with him, to which he stated, "No," and further stated that, "I was making a big mistake and that I was going to regret it."

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PO informed me that the witness to this incident was the clerk at the Golden Grocery, which was located at 335 North Fuclid (it should be noted that this attempt stealing report is filed under original C/N 92042305).

I then proceeded to pull my police vehicle across the street and to park same in the alley. PO and I responded to the Golden Grocery to inform the witness of the possible suspect and to ask witness to respond outside to view this suspect.

Witness stated that he felt uncomfortable about viewing the subject, because he feared retaliation. Witness then duclined to view the subject.

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With this, PC and muself responded back outside, at which time Sgrander on the scene. It should be noted that assigned to Area had arrived on the scene, and was waiting with the suspect when Sgt. arrived. Sgt. was advised of the situation, at which time Sgt. responded inside the Golden Groceru to sneak with witness. Witness advised Sgt. then assured that there were four officers on the scene, and that no harm would come to him. then agreed to view the suspect. Sgt. and witness Sgt. then responded outside.	ь6 ь7С
Witness walked over to the right rear of the police vehicle and was allowed to view the suspect. Upon viewing the suspect witness immediately and without hesitation stated, "That's the guy, that's him."	
The suspect then stated to witness	
then proceeded to open the back door of the police venicle and asked the subject to exit the vehicle. The suspect refused to exit the vehicle stating, "You white boys have done fucked up, and up know it. Just go ahead and take me to jail." Sgt. attempted to explain the circumstances surrounding the incident to the subject. however, the subject continued interrupting Sgt. explain the situation. It was about this time the subject identified himself as, Richard G., and again stated he wasn't going to exit the police vehicle, and we might as well take him to jail because we would all be sorry we worked today."	ь6 ь7с
Richard B. repeatedly refused to honor Sgt. request to exit the police vehicle in a defiantly loud voice. He further stated to Sgt. that, "It's a shame that a black man can't walk in a white man's neighborhood," while accusing Sgt. of making up the whole incident just to protect his officers.  Sqt. as well as all officers were repeatedly referred to by Richard G, "As racist white men," and cursed the officers by stating several times. "You white	



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The commotion cause by Richard G. caused a crowd of approximately ten pedestrians, who were walking on the west side of Euclid, near the mouth of the alley to stop and gather in order to observe what was happening.

It was at this time that I proceeded to place Richard G. under arrest for "General Peace Disturbance" and advise him of his Constitutional Rights, to which Richard G. made no statement, other than, "Just take me to jail."

While at the Area II Station, a wanted/record check revealed Richard G. to have no active wanteds, however, prior record was indicated.

Richard G. continued his abusive and uncooperative attitude. He refused to sign the Property Envelope or the Arrest Register and made several racial remarks directed at Sgt. and myself. He referred to Sgt. on two separate occasions during the booking processing as, "A motherfucker." Richard G. also refused to be finderprinted and that at one point, Lt. was summoned to the booking area.

Criminal Information and Warrant Disposition forms prepared, warrant to be applied for in the proper manner.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) at the Days Inn at the Park, telephone (314) 367-7500, 4630 Lindell, St. Louis, Missouri. This is the address GREGORY gave while in St. Louis.

On April 17, 1992, advised GREGORY had checked out but would return the week of April 20, 1992. On April 21, 1992, advised that GREGORY was at the Inn, but not in his room. On April 22, 1992 it was determined that GREGORY had checked back in on April 18, 1992 and checked out April 20, 1992. could furnish no additional information.

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A computer check of the REGIONAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM (REJIS), MISSOURI UNIFORM LAW ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM (MULES), and NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER (NCIC) revealed the following:

Social Security Account Number shows one arrest.

November 9, 1986 - Leaving the Scene of an Accident - disposition noted as released on citation/summons.

RICHARD C. GREGORY, DOB October 12, 1932, SSAN 496-30-2279, shows the following entries:

March 21, 1992 - General Peace Disturbance - St. Louis City Police

September 5, 1979 - Disobeying a Police Detective - St. Louis City

August 31, 1979 - Disobeying a Police Detective - St. Louis City

April 13, 1969 - Following a Vehicle Too Closely - St. Louis City

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St. Louis indices were checked for DICK GREGORY, black male, date of birth (DOB) October 12, 1932. Social Security Account Number (SSAN) 496-30-2279, and white male, DOB SSAN

s civil rights

There were no references other than this civil rights case for GREGORY.

There was one civil rights investigation involving

This matter, file 44A-SL-175719. occurred in January,
1992. and was titled "OFFICER OFFICER

ST. LOUIS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT,
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, COMPLAINANT

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This matter involved a traffic stop of
His 15-year-old brother became verbally abusive and
was arrested. A fight ensued thereafter between the two
brothers, their mother and the police officers. Assistant United
States Attorney advised that in his opinion
the case lacked prosecutive merit.

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# Memorandum



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		From : Director, FBI "CHANGED" OFFICER AKA	
		Subject	
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To Director Federal Bureau of Investigation

John R. Dunne Assistant Attorney General Civil Rights Division

Reference is made to your field office file captioned as on the attached closing form and numbered 447-86-176008. This matter has been closed as of the date on the attached form.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Boston, Massachusetts October 14, 1977

## MIKE WATLEY

On October 13, 1977, Commissioner Joseph Jordan, Boston, Massachusetts, Police Department, telephonically contacted Special Agent in Charge Richard F. Bates, Boston Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and advised he was in receipt of a copy of a Western Union Mailgram sent to Attorney General Griffin Bell by Dick Gregory, well-known comedian and television personality.

Commissioner Jordan stated that the Mailgram indicated that Mr. Gregory was requesting Attorney General Bell to conduct an investigation into the death of Mike Watley, a personal friend of Mr. Gregory. In his mailgram, according to Commissioner Jordan, Mr. Gregory stated that, despite the hard work of the Boston Police Department, there were still many unanswered questions pertaining to the alleged hit-and-run death of Mr. Watley.

Commissioner Jordan stated that all evidence available to the Boston Police Department indicates Mr. Watley was struck by a motor vehicle, driver unknown, and that the Boston Police Department possesses no information indicating that Mr. Watley's death was attributable to any other cause.

On October 14, 1977, Commissioner Jordan's Office furnished a copy (attached) of Mr. Gregory's Mailgram to the Attorney General.

This document contains reither recent identicis nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is leaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency

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## MIKE WATLEY

Also enclosed with this memorandum is a copy of the "Boston Police Department Incident Report" pertaining to the on-site investigation of Mr. Watley's death.

Also enclosed is a copy of an article which appeared on Page 8 of the October 11, 1977, edition of "The Boston Herald American" concerning the death of Mr. Watley.

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POLICE COMMISSIONER JOSEPH JORDAN BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT 154 BERKELEY ST BOSTON MA 02116



THIS MESSAGE IS A COPY OF ONE WHICH WAS SENT TO ATTORNEY GENERAL GRIFFIN BELL. DEAR MR BELL THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT MIKE WATLEY A PERSONEL FRIEND, AS WELL AS MY AIDE, AND AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT WAS KILLED IN BOSTON MASSACHUSETTS IN THE EARLY MORNING OF OCTOBER 10 1977 IN AN ALLEGED HIT AND RUN PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENT, DESPITE THE HARD WORK OF THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT THERE ARE STILL MANY UNANSWERED QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO HIS DEATH, BECAUSE OF THE TENSE RACIAL CLIMATE IN BOSTON I AM ASKING YOUR OFFICE TO CONDUCT A FOLLOW UP INVESTIGATION INTO WATLEY'S DEATH SO THAT I WILL NOT BE FORCED TO BEGIN AN OUTSIDE INVESTIGATION WHICH WOULD INVOLVE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION BY TOP CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS AND LEGAL EXPERTS b6 I HAVE GONE OVER THE POLICE ACCIDENT REPORT WITH BOSTON POLICE b7C COMMISSIONER JOSEPH JORDAN AND HAVE THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED THE AUTOPSY REPORT WITH THE CITY MEDICAL EXAMINER, THE CORONOR AGREED THAT THE FINDINGS DID NOT CORRELATE WITH THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT'S REPORT OF A TYPICAL HIT AND RUN ACCIDENT MIKE WATLEY HAS LIVED WITH ME FOR THE PAST 11 YEARS AND WAS CONSIDERED PART OF MY FAMILY. BECAUSE OF HIS INVOLVEMENT WITH ME IN CIVIL RIGHTS AND OTHER MATTERS, I DO NOT FEEL THIS AS A ROUTINE POLICE CASE. I WOULD HOPE THAT YOU WOULD USE THE PRESTIGE OF YOUR OFFICE TO HELP UNCOVER THE TRUTH SURROUNDING HIS DEATH. I WOULD ALSO LIKE FOR YOU TO INFORM THE WHITE HOUSE OF THIS INFORMATION. I AM URGENTLY LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU CONCERNING THIS MATTER. SINCERELY

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the Boston Merald American, Tuesday, October 11, 1977

Hit-rum kills Gregory aid

An associate of comedian Dick Cregory was killed yesterday by a hit-run driver in Park Square.

Mike Watley, 33, who lived with the Gregory family at their Little Long Pond Road, Plymouth, was pronounced dead on arrival at The New England Medical Center.

Police quoted a witness as saying a black van sped from Providence Street after the victim's body was hurled through the air and landed beneath a parked car.

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April 2, 1992

Mr. William Sessions Director of the F.B.I. 10th and Pennsylvania, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Sessions:

This correspondence will serve as a formal complaint from me to the dederal Bureau of Investigation regarding the St. Louis Police Department.

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I'm requesting that your office launch a full scale investigation here to determine whether the practices and procedures used by the department have been and are violating a number of people's rights.

I feel that some of the department's members are "out of control." On March 21, 1992, I was wrongly accused and arrested. After it was learned that I was 'Dick Gregory', several police officers attempted to frame and make me fit the description of someone they knew I was not.

I'm outraged that this kind of injustice was done to me. I've dedicated my life and resources to fighting injustices all over this country.

I'm proud to be among the many men and women, black and white, who have and are willing to give their lives to make America work right. For "out of control" police officers to make wrongful arrests and fabricate stories to frame people is a great miscarriage of justice.

I believe that there exists a pattern (history) of racial discrimination in the treatment of minorities when they come into contact with the police department here in St. Louis.

I'd like your office to begin your investigation immediately, before anymore wrongful, demeaning, arrests are allowed to occur, and before any frame - ups can be concocted by officers who hold the power to

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determine whether man goes to jail because he lone wrong or is set free because he's done nothing wrong.

Since my wrongful arrest, several members of the minority community have contacted me to tell of their horrible encounters with the St. Louis Police under the auspices of enforcing the law.

I believe the officers feel free to flex their muscles as they see fit, without respect for code enforcement or procedure, because the higher ranking officials who're in charge of making sure the department works effectively are looking in another direction.

I'll be remaining in St. Louis to deal with the situation pertaining to me, and would like to know immediately your plans pursuant to the exploration of police brutality and improprieties in the St. Louis Police Department.

Sincerely,

Dick Gregory/cps

# Allegation

## Gregory Accuses Police Of Cover-up In His Arrest

By Bill Bryan

Of the Post-Dispatch Staff

Civil rights activist Dick Gregory said Monday that St. Louis police were guilty of a cover-up in their handling of his arrest Saturday on suspicion of peace disturbance.

"I'm outraged, totally outraged," Gregory said at a news conference at the local office of the NAACP.

"For the first eight minutes, before they knew who I was, I was just another [black man]," he said, using a racial epithet.

"Then when they realized they were dealing with Dick Gregory, a simple case of mistaken identity turned into a cover-up."

Gregory also said he planned:

■ To ask for a federal investigation of the police See GREGORY, Page 4

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# ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

# Gregory

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department to see if there was a pattern of abuse of people's civil rights.

■ To file a \$100 million suit over his treatment by police. He said he did not yet know the specifics of the suit.

■ To organize a series of demonstrations to publicize police abuse. "There will be some doors chained," he said. He said he would not disclose the targets of the demonstrations.

C. John Pleban, a lawyer for the police department, said the department was investigating the arrest, "but we would hope that Mr. Gregory will cooperate and give us a statement.

"He's been invited to give a statement, but thus far he has not ap-

peared," Pleban said.

Gregory was arrested Saturday afternoon while walking in the 300 block of North Euclid Avenue after a clerk at the Golden Grocer health food store, at 335 North Euclid Avenue, reported a shoplifting incident.

The clerk, Barry Kepp, initially identified Gregory as the shoplifter.

Gregory said he then warned the clerk: "Don't let these hillbilly white boys [police] get you into trouble. I'm Dick Gregory. If you frame me, I'll picket this store . . . and shut it down."

Then Kepp said Gregory was not the shoplifter, police said.

On Sunday, Gregory said police had coerced Kepp into identifying him.

On Monday, Kepp agreed, saying

police had coerced him.

"I was scared to death, shaking like a leaf," Kepp, 33, said in an interview. "I didn't want a face-to-face confrontation. At first, the guy in the police car [Gregory] did look like the shoplifter, but then I got a better look and could see that it was not."

Kepp said the differences between the shoplifter and Gregory were that the shoplifter had had a stubble beard, while Gregory has a full beard; and the shoplifter had a white X on his baseball cap, while Gregory had a red and green X on his cap.

But the official police report later said Kepp had identified the shoplifter as having a full beard and a red and

green X on his cap.

That's part of a cover-up, Gregory said. "There's only one cap in the country with a red and green X, and I've got it. I challenge the press or the police to find another one anywhere," he said.

After Kepp said Gregory was not the thief, police told Gregory he was free to go. But Gregory became bellig-



Gary Bohn/Post-Dispatch

Civil rights activist Dick Gregory speaking Monday NAACP headquarters, North Euclid.

was scared to death, shaking like a leaf. I didn't want a face-to-face confrontation. ""

BARRY KEPP, clerk at store

erent, police said, and was arrested on suspicion of peace disturbance.

Before police knew his identity, Gregory said, he was thrown against a wall and handcuffed. One officer cursed him, using profanity.

"I've got dignity, and I'm not going to take treatment like that," Gregory said.

Gregory said he had refused to be released on a peace disturbance summons and retrieve his property which included more than \$900 in cash — because he feared the police would plant drugs on him.

Gregory, a former St. Louisan, has been in this area often recently to support choreographer Katherine Dunham's fast to protest the forced repatriation of Haitian refugees.

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## Officer In Gregory Incident Probed

## Complaint Says He, Others Beat Suspects In January

A police officer who Dick Gregory says treated him rudely on Saturday is under investigation for an earlier incident involving allegations of police brutality.

The officer, Michael Marks, 25, is being investigated by the police department's internal affairs division, after a complaint was filed against him and other officers who arrested a woman and her two sons on Jan. 12.

The suspects — arrested on suspicion of misdemeanor assault and interfering with a police officer — said they had been beaten after one of them was stopped for a traffic violation near Enright Avenue and

Sarah Street.

Police said they had had to use force in making the arrests after they were assaulted by the woman and her sons. The investigation is pending.

At a press conference Tuesday at the St. Louis office of the NAACP, Gregory repeated his intention to file a \$100 million suit against the police and to hold demonstrations over his recent arrest on suspicion of peace disturbance.

The civil rights activist was arrested Saturday in the Central West End after being stopped on the street by Marks, who was investigating a shoplifting incident. DICK GREGORY

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> Mr. William Sessions Director of the F.B.I. 10th and Pennsylvania, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20535

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# Black Leaders in Chicago Threaten Demenstrations

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if Police Superintendent and Aides Aren't Removed

By SETH S. KING Special to The New York Times

CHICAGO, May 13—A group. The threat of militant disaf-James Conlisk Jr. and his top on solid backing from the black

assistants are not removed from office.

The group, calling itself the Chicago, includes Representative Ralph H. Metcalfe of Chicago, Dick Gregory, the comedian, and activist, and the Rev. C. T. Vivian, executive director of the Chicago changes are considered at the first of 20 in solid backing from the black wards.

Last week, the Mayor tried to stem the complaints by calling a conference of Chicago's civic leaders at City Hall. But after he declined to meet Mr. Metcalfe in a black neighborhood, the Representative and other black leaders refused to attend the Mayor's meeting.

On Thursday night, Mr. Colline of the Chicago change in solid backing from the black wards.

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of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

Their demands, which were made yesterday, highlighted a week of bitter confrontation between Mayor Richard J. Daley's police hierarchy, and the city's black community of more than 1:2 million, a third of the population.

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community meetings he has scheduled to discuss citizen complaints and outline a re-

form program.
This was in the predominantly black West Side's Fillmore District, which last year had the highest crime rate in the city.

But the police superintendent accomplished little as he Charging that Chicago's more than 400 blacks in the audience walked out.

Mr. Metcalfe charged last night that an average of 78 cases of police brutality occurred every month in the black community.

"These figures have come from the Urban League, and

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The Mayor attacked critics of the police, saying he had

no apology to make to anyone.
"We're all human," he de-clared. "I don't know what I would do if someone called me a brute or a sadist. I'm proud of the Chicago police depart-

Not since the aftermath of the riots during the 1968 Democratic National Convention has the Chicago police department been faced with such widespread criticism.

Within the last month 18 60licemen have been indicted by

Federal and Cook County grand juries on charges ranging from tion of the rights of civilians.

Two other policemen were suspended Thursday for failing. to testify before a Federal grand jury investigating police misconduct in the largely black. Austin district. A third was dismissed outright for disorderly

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Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr. Assistant Attorney General April 22, 1966

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In the past, Dick Gregory has made irresponsible, false and unfounded allegations concerning personnel of the Federal Eureau of Investigation. In addition, he has furnished complaints concerning matters over which we have investigative jurisdiction, but our efforts to resolve these matters have been thwarted by his unavailability for In view of our past experiences, Gregory will not be interviewed regarding the current complaint.

however, who should be in possession of all the facts vill be interviewed promptly, and the results will be furnished to you as soon as they are available.

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It is requested that and Dick Gregory be interviewed to determine whether the facts involved show a violation of Federal law.	≟n f
A copy of the telegram is enclosed for your convenience.	
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WHEN THE COUNTRY LEARNED THAT NEGRO CITIZENS IN THE SOUTH WERE

INTIMIDATED IN THEIR HONES AND AT THE POLLING PLACES WHEN THEY

TRIED TO REGISTER AND VOTE, THE CITIZENS OF THIS COUNTY WERE

SHOCKED TO THE EXTENT THAT NEW FEDERAL LAWS WERE PASSED TO

PROTECT THE SOUTHERN NEGRO'S CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS. TODAY WE

HAVE UNCOVERED THE INTIMIDATION OF VOTERS IN CHICAGO. WE FEEL

WITHOUT INTIMIDATION IS NOT JUST A SOUTHERN PROBLEM BUT AN AMERICAN PROBLEM WTICH STRIKES AT THE BULWARK OF OUR DEMOCRATIC

THAT THE CITIZENS RIGHT TO VOTE UNDER THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION

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OF HIS PETITIONS HAVE BEEN APPROACHED AND SHOWN COPIES OF THE
PETITIONS BEARING THEIR SIGNATURE, AND TOLD

IS A REPUBLICAN AND IT WAS ILLEWAL FOR THEM TO SIGN HIS PETITION

AND THAT THEY COULD BE PROSECUTED FOR DOING SO. IF THE PRINCIPAL

OF FREEDOM FROM INTIMIDATION OF THE VOTER IS SACRED TO AMERICA

IT MUST BE UPHELD IN CHICO AS WELL AS IN THE SOUTH. WE DEMAND

AN IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION

DICK GREGORY

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REFERENCE: Bureau airtel to Chicago 4/22/66.

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## **ENCLOSURES:**

TO BUREAU:

Original and three (3) copies of letterhead memorandum captioned and dated as above.

## ADMINISTRATIVE:

In view of the origin of the request and nature of the complaint, no copy of this report is designated for the U.S. Attorney, Chicago, in the absence of Bureau instructions; however, an extra copy is designated for Chicago, for future dissemination to the U.S. Attorney, Chicago, if so indicated by the Bureau.

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It is noted that information set forth in letterhead memorandum submitted as an enclosure with this report, suitable for dissemination, was obtained from review of Chicago files, and particularly, that information in letterhead memorandum concerning GREGORY's reference to instant (telegram) allegation at his press conference of April 1, 1966, was set forth in Chicago airtel to Bureau 4/1/66 captioned "Possible Racial Violence Major Urban Areas, RM," Chicago file 157-350, which communication enclosed letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination. In view of instructions that GREGORY not be interviewed in this matter, no attempt was made to incorporate in enclosed letterhead memorandum information from voluminous Chicago file references to GREGORY, whose civil rights activities are well-known and documented.

Extra copy of letterhead memorandum is also designated for Chicago, for possible future dissemination to U.S. Attorney, Chicago.

It is also noted that, per Bureau instructions, was advised at the outset of interview that investigation was being conducted at the specific request of NICHOLAS de B. KATZENBACH, Attorney General of the United States.

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# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

Report of:

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Date:

April 27, 1966

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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS:
DICK GREGORY - COMPLAINANTS

Character:

ELECTION LAWS

Synopsis:

Department requested inquiry concerning alleged intimida- tion of persons favoring nomination of
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as alleged in telegram of and DICK
GREGORY to Attorney General 4/1/66.
Chicago, advised 4/26/66 that telegram, which
was dictated by GREGORY, was based solely on information
hhtained night of 3/31/66 from
who had signed one of nominating
petitions. She told that two unidentified women,
one of whom was organization assistant precinct captain,
called on her and other persons in same apartment building
to verify that their signatures on nominating petition
genuine. They asked if she knew was a
Republican, and insinuated that it was illegal for her to
have signed his petition. No contact made by
with others reportedly similarly contacted. GREGORY was
told same night about incident by who was 'not
half as excited about it" as GREGORY, who dispatched tele-
gram. No such incidents reported since, or in other areas,
and does not think "there is a darn thing there"
or that incident will have any bearing on 6/14/66 primary.

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### DETAILS:

By departmental memorandum to Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, dated April 18, 1966, from FRED M. VINSON, JR., Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, it was advised as follows:

"This refers to the telegram dated Apri	<u>1 1.</u> 1966,
addressed to the Attorney General by	and
DICK GREGORY, concerning alleged intimidation of	persons
Syoring the nomination of	
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bie violation of 18 U.S. C. 241.	

"It is requested that \_\_\_\_\_ and DICK CRECORY be interviewed to determine whether the facts involved show a violation of Federal law."

There was enclosed with departmental memorandum copy of telegram dated April 1, 1966, which stated as follows:

"Nicholas D Katzenbach Atty General "Dept of Justice, Wash DC

"When the country learned that Negro citizens in the south were intimidated in their hones and at the polling places when they tried to register and vote, the citizens of this country were shocked to the extent that new Federal laws were passed to protect the southern Negro's constitutional rights. Today we have uncovered the intimidation of voters in Chicago. We feel that the citizens right to vote under the United States Constitution without intimidation is not just a southern problem but an American problem wtich strikes at the bulwark of our democratic form of government Today in Chicago such a threat was uncovered.

has been told that many signers of his petitions have been approached and shown copies of the petitions bearing their signature, and told

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is a republican and it was illecal for them to sign his petition and that they could be prosecuted for doing so. If the principal of freedom from intimidation of the voter is sacred to America it must be upheld in Chico as well as in the south. We demand an immediate investigation.

Dick Gregory 14511 3-'5 55th St 312-324-0938 Chicago Ill."

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South State with copies of his petitions, and questioning the signers of	nominating	b6 b70
petitions as to the authenticity of their	signatures.	
The how further told him that the two wom	en had said	
that was a Republican and these people to sign petitions for	and they	
could be prosecuted for doing so. The k		
one of the persons so approached was his	mother,	
Immediately after the meeting a	t	
went to see	with whom he had	
not been acquainted previously. that two women, one of whom was the organ	related to him	
precinct captain in that area, had come t	o her the day	
previous, and exhibited a copy of a	nominating	
petition bearing her signature. The wome		
was her signature and she verified that i		
women said that they were checking for for and that they were "trying to keep the Ro	rgeu signatures	
They then asked her if she knew that	was a	
Republican, and insinuated that it was the		
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mention that the women told her that sne prosecuted for having signed the petition		
also told him that the two women had appa		
others in the same apartment building to	verify signatures;	
however, he did not seek out nor talk to	any of these	
other people.		
It was pointed out by	hat it was	b6
entirely legal for opposition workers to	get copies of	b7C
his nominating petitions, for purposes of	verifying the	
signatures thereon, and he did not think situation at the time, although there was		
that some of these people would thereby h		
"scared out" of voting.		
After seeing on the range on the range on the range of th	ight of March	
of his campaign offices located at 708 Ea		
where he was to meet with DICK GREGORY ar	d other	
supporters. During this meeting, in disc		
campaign matters, mentioned the i	ncident as	

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related to him by  Suggested that the incident ought to be explored and called to the attention of the proper authorities, after affidavits were obtained from and others who had been approached. He himself had not been "half as excited about it as those civil rights people."  Asked as to whom he referred, replied: "DICK GREGORY."	b6 b7С
On the following day, April 1 1966,	
directed one of his supporters to go to the apartment building at and obtain	
affidavits from Ind_others who had been	
approached by the two women. obtained a notarized	
statement from and attempted without success	
to obtain statements from two other (unidentified)	
individuals in the same building. determined that	
among signers of nominating petitions there	
were "no more than seven" with apartment addresses at who could possibly have been contacted	
by the opposition precinct workers.	
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On April 1, 1966, DICK GREGORY dictated the	
telegram to Attorney General NICHOLAS KATZENBACH	
concerning the alleged intimidation of persons favoring	
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did not know if the telegram was dictated by GREGORY	
before or after returned with the affidavit	b6
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has heard of no similar incidents	
since April 1, 1966, and has received no information	
that such incidents had occurred in other areas. He specifically stated that GREGORY had no independent	
information on the matter, that GREGORY's knowledge of	
the matter was based entirely on what he had	
related, and that no purpose would be served in interviewing	
GREGORY for further information on the matter.	
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Stating that he was due momentarily at another meeting, made arrangements through his office at vide Agents with a notarized copy of statement of April 1, 1966. with a request that, if at all possible, not be contacted in this matter, because she would become "unnecessarily alarmed."

Signed copy of statement as provided through is as follows:

"April 1, 1966

### "AFFIDAVIT

that the following statement is true to the best of my knowledge:

"'On Wednesday, March 30, 1966, between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m., two ladies came to my door with petitions and asked me if the signature on the petition was mine. I told them that I had signed the petition. They said that a lot of the signatures were forged and that 'We are trying to keep the Republicans out.' They asked me, 'Did you know that was a Republican?' I said I did not know he was a Republican. At this point, the ladies walked away.'

"Witness:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in the Count of Cook and State of Illinois, this 1st day of April, A.D. 1966.

"/s/ Jean E. Henderson"

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICI

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Chicago, Illinois April 27, 1966

Re:	UNKNOWN SUBJECTS:
	DICK GREGORY - COMPLAINANTS ELECTION LAWS

Files of the Chicago office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation include the following information, possibly pertinent to captioned matter, concerning and Commedian Richard Claxton Gregory, complainants.

On April 1, 1966, Patrolman Human Relations Unit, Chicago Police Department, advised that at a press conference held on April 1, 1966, at 79 West Monroe, Chicago, Room 712, Dick Gregory announced the formation of a committee designed to avoid the outbreak of violence in Negro neighborhoods in Chicago during the coming months. Gregory announced that included with him on this committee were Fred D. Hubbard, candidate for United States House of Representatives, running against Congressman William L. Dawson; Alderman Charles Chew, a candidate for state senator in Illinois; and Lawrence Landry of ACT. as well as a number of others identified with the civil rights program in Chicago. During a question and answer period at the press conference, Gregory, an announced Chicago mayoral candidate, was questioned as to whether or not this new committee was in effect a political organization. He answered no; however, he pointed out that on March 31, 1966, a telegram was directed to the United States Attorney General alleging that certain of the individuals who had signed a petition to place Fred Hubbard on the ballot to run against Congressman Dawson had been subsequently intimidated through unwarranted questioning by unidentified individuals.

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DICK GREGORY - COMPLAINANTS ELECTION LAWS
On October 2, 1964, records of the Board of Education. Chicago. reflected that born who as of 1962 resided at Chicago. was employed as a substitute teacher from He was shown as having received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the
Under date of September 23, 1964, Federal Bureau of Investigation identification record under Federal Bureau of Investigation Number for also known as who was born reflected
This record showed arrests for as follows:
Review November 25. 1964. of records at

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DICK GREGORY - COMPLAINANTS

ELECTION LAWS

The "Chicago Daily News," a daily publication in Chicago, Illinois, October 24, 1959, edition, carried an article by Sam S. King captioned "Teen Gang Sees the Light," which article described the work of Fred D. Hubbard and others in the Chicago YMCA's Detached Workers Program. The article stated in part concerning Hubbard: "He is working on a master of arts degree from the University of Chicago. He also served five years in the paratroops, including 18 months in Korea where he received the Purple Heart."

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The "Chicago Sun Times," a daily publication in Chicago, Illinois, January 5, 1966, edition, carried an article by John Dreiske captioned "Ex-Youth Worker Hubbard to Challenge Rep. Dawson." The article stated in part as follows:

"Fred Hubbard, 36-year-old former YMCA youth worker, Tuesday announced he will challenge veteran Rep. William L. Dawson for the 1st Congressional District Democratic nomination in the June primary.

"Hubbard told a press conference in the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel that his campaign will be 'a mounting for a new Negro offensive' in Chicago. He has been an active participant in the civil rights movement.

### "DICK GREGORY PRESENT

"Present for the announcement were night club comedian Dick Gregory and Lawrence Landry, national chairman of ACT, a militant civil rights group. ACT is not a set of initials, but a name in itself.

"Gregory, who introduced Hubbard, reaffirmed his intention to run for mayor against Richard J. Daley and said his formal announcement would come in about three weeks.

"Hubbard said a new organization led by himself and Gregory soon will hold 'elections' of precinct captains in 50 trial precincts in several wards.

Re: <u>UNKNOWN SUBJECTS</u>;

DICK GREGORY - COMPLAINANTS ELECTION LAWS

"'These captains will, of course, not be recognized by the Democratic machine,' Hubbard said, 'but they will be recognized in their communities.' b6 b70

"Hubbard asserted that the 'loyal' Negro vote in support of Daley and Democratic candidates generally has been 'rewarded' with Chicago Schools Supt. Benjamin C. Willis, long under attack from civil rights groups.

"'They have been rewarded with a poverty program that does its reacting to City Hall rather than the streets and alleys of our great city,' Hubbard went on.

"'They have been rewarded with lip service and promises about the abuses of slumlords and ghetto living. That's the kind of representation (in Congress) that is given to one-third of the city's population.'

"'Hubbard said he would represent residents of the 1st Congressional District in their demands for 'an alternative to non or misrepresentation, to risks and discomforts of marching through the streets in protest, to rioting for those who are too angry and too frustrated to march and to being the helpless pawns of an establishment that labels them "the Negro vote" which is conveniently forgotten after election.'

### "CHANCE HE'LL LOSE

"Hubbard admitted 'there's a chance' he will lose to Dawson, who has been firmly entrenched in Congress starting with 1942 when he was elected as a Democrat after failing two years previously as a Republican."

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FRI BAC, JACKBON

ATT: CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION

FROM:

BAC, HONOLULU (62-new)

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DICK CRECORY

MISC. - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Local press reports indicate that DICK GREGORY, a Negro comedian who is presently in Honolulu and is noted for his vitriolic comments concerning the Government, has been contending that he furnished the FEI information which led to the discovery of the three bodies of the civil rights workers near Philadelphia, Miss. An Associated Press dispatch datelined at Jackson, Miss., and carried in the "Honolulu Star-Bulletin" of Thursday, 8/6/64, stated that GREGORY also said he had given the FBI a containing names of the killers.

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Since GREGORY, an irresponsible-type individual, has been making reckless statements to the press, some of which concern the FBI, it is considered advisable to furnish a copy of this communication to the other offices listed herein, which have had some contact with GREGORY. GREGORY has been appearing at the Forbidden City, which is essentially a "striptease joint" in Honolulu, where he has reportedly been paid \$14,000 for a 12-day stand, according to newspaper accounts. He is scheduled to depart shortly for the mainland.

No further action in this matter is contemplated by Eonolulu.

By BOB JONES

"It's going to be a long, hot summer. America is in trouble. She can fall to her knees with mass destruction from inside.'

The speaker was Dick Gregory, Negro comediana man whose bitterness over the slow pace of the civil rights revolution wells up frequently, as it did during an hour-long interview here yesterday.

"If I had had the plane fare, I'd have gone up there to Rochester and stopped

those riots," he said.
How? "I'd have just told them to stop," he said.

OUTCAST Black Muslim Malcolm X could have stopped the riots, too, Greg-

He doesn't fool around. He'd go up there and say: "Stop the riots for three days and if we don't get what we want we'll kill them.""

Even though he is drawing \$12,000 for a 14-day appearance at the Forbidden City here, Gregory doesn't consider himself in the category of a "prominent Ne-gro."

He said: "As far as I'm concerned there is no such thing as a prominent Negro in America. If he can't live on any block, go to any school or drink out of any water fountain, he isn't prominent.

"And no amount of money changes that. The only places I'm admitted now is where the dollar will let me

GREGORY, AN Immaculate dresser, speaks with a drawl and spices his conversation with salty language.

"Non-violence is only a tactic, not an ideology," he said at his modest Waikiki habits and even halted his hotel room. "If one tactic hobby of making long-disdoesn't work, you try antance telephone calls. other."

White policemen get short shrift in Gregory's book.

"No intelligent white man would join a police force," he said. "In New York a million dollars worth of dope is sold each day, and

about 2,000 Negroes rioting. "In any city you can make book on a horse and the police turn their heads."

Gregory calls himself "an individual first, an American second and a Negro

IF THE POWER, personnel and money were placed at his disposal, here's how Gregory says he would attack the civil rights problem:

"First I'd abolish capital punishment and give Americans a basic respect for each other.

Then I'd go into depressed areas and make sure no American went to bed hungry. I'd set up a medical program, bring in national mental health people to re-educate people, supplement cops' salaries with Federal funds so they'd be above graft, and re-educate the mass communication system."

GREGORY SAID his work in the civil rights movement has put him \$75,000 in debt, curbed his spending

But he was busy on the phone yesterday arranging for a \$25,000 reward for the recovery of the bodies of three missing civil rights workers in Mississippi. He said he borrowed the money dope is sold each day, and from Playboy publisher they (the, police) worry, Hugh M. Hefner.

Gregory is aware that many whites and Negro civvil rights leaders are skeptical of his knuckle-tough approach to race relations.

He doesn't really care. He put it this way:

"A fellow asked me what I thought of Time magazine putting me down. I said, 'Man have you read Ebony or Jet?'

"What the hell do I care about what Time magazine

says?
"The chick (his infant daughter) back in Chicago that I care about, the one with the kinklettes on top of her hair, she can't even spell Time magazine!"

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# Gregory Can Spoof, Too

Here is a sample of Dick Gregory on stage at Forbidden City:

"I just phoned Harlem and they told me 'we won' . . when we riot in Harlem, we get shot at. When they riot in Viet Nam, they get foreign aid."

"Some people say Com-munists are behind the riots. No, the glass industry . . ."

"ONE GUY walked into a Harlem grocery store and asked for a six-pack of Pepsi. The storekeeper said, 'To drink here or take out?

"I hate to call it the Civil Rights bill. I like to call it air conditioning for a long, hot summer."

"If Goldwater gets in in November and Khrushchev makes him mad, none of us are going to have civil rights. I'd look like a damn fool worrying about public accommodations in a fox hole."

"I'm going to vote for Johnson—at least he talks like us. I want him to pick a Negro for Vice President. That way they won't assassinate him . . ."

"For 200 years they've been trying to get us to go back to Africa. If Barry gets in, I'll pay my own way . . ."

"And when the Mississippi crisis broke out and Johnson sent in Allen Dulles of the CIA, the first thing I thought was, 'We ain't going to get no air cover' . . . . ''

"LODGE? He should have bought a round-trip ticket."

"Ike talks like a white Joe Louis . . . "

"And wouldn't it be wild if one day I found out that Abe Lincoln didn't free us-Jeff Davis let us out on parole . . ."

"I've got to work here.

'No,' the guy said, 'I'll throw You see, I'm broke. Not them here.' "You see, I'm broke. Not really, I've got \$175,000 invested in bail bonds ...."



Gregory: "I could have stopped those riots."

# Comedian Gregory Says Race Strife to Get Worse

By TED KURRUS

Gregory isn't so funny off stage.

In front of an audience he'll describe the benefits of being a Negro in the South: "Have you ever heard of a wreck where the people in the back of the bus got hurt?"

But catch him with his humor down and comic Gregory will tell you there's. a war going on between the blacks and whites: "It's a revolution," he says, "and it's going to get worse."

The 31-year-old Gregory opened his show last night at Forbidden City. Taking his customary position atop a stool, he chain-smoked and bantered with the audience about topics sensitive to the soul. And they applauded

But off his stool, Gregory Negro comedian Dick is an impassioned young man who views as deadly serious the Negro's fight for equal rights. His wry wit is gone when he says "either the Negro gets his first-class citizenship or this country is going to stop."

> And he isn't talking about the Civil Rights Law. The whole Negro cause, he says, is to obtain those rights guaranteed under the Constitution. "We didn't ask for the Civil Rights Bill . . . This doesn't do anything.

"If white America gets civil rights under the Constitution and black America gets civil rights under the bill, that's segregation.

"Like for 100 years the Negro's been getting 31 cents for his dollar. So now he's getting 62 cents. We don't want to stop at 62 cents .... We want that full dollar." 'NOTHING TO LOSE!

While Gregory admits the Negro has made certain inroads and obtained some of those rights he's entitled to, he feels there's nothing to lose if the present situation turns into open warfare.

"We've got nothing to lose," he says. "We're so bad off now that we can't be

hurt.

"We tried the non-violence and look what we got. We were non-violent and our churches were blown up. Malcolm X says the white man is a pink-eved devil and he should be dead. . . . Martin Luther King says love thy neighbor and turn the other cheek.

"They called King a nigger and a Communist. I've never heard Malcolm X called a nigger and a Communist."

RIGHT VS. WRONG

Gregory explains the fight as "not black against white but right against wrong. Right," he says, "has never lost. Look at Hitler. . . . He had rockets before we knew how to spell the word and right crushed him.

'Lincoln said it: A man

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who keeps another man from getting his freedom does not deserve to be free himself. If this is true and there is a just God, then the Negro won't have to wait long.

"The white man," said Gregory, "has become the psychological slave of the Negro. The Negro is the psychological master of the white man.

"The free man," he explains, "is the man with no fear and the white man sure fears me. He's my slave just as though he had a shackle around his ankle."

### NOT ACCEPTANCE

Gregory emphasizes the Negro doesn't care whether the white man likes him or not. "We just want what the

Constitution guarantees—free speech, peaceful assembly, the right to vote and the right to go in every public place in America.

"We're not after acceptance.... We don't say you have to accept me or like me. We don't care about that."

Gregory, one of the most active public figures participating in the civil rights fight, describes himself first as an individualist; an American second, and a Negor before an entertainer.

"And when I demonstrate," he adds, "I'm a demonstrator."

Turning briefly to politics, he terms the nomination of Arizona Senator Barry Goldwater as the Republican presidential candidate a disaster. Furthermore, he predicts, Goldwater will win the election in November through what he terms, "the hate vote."

He explains many Americans don't wish to come out openly against the Negro, "but they'll sure vote against him in the election. And Goldwater voted against civil rights."

Back on his stool, Gregory is his satirical self, strolling where angels fear to tread.

"I didn't see anything wrong with Goldwater's acceptance speech," he said dryly. "Extremism in the defense of liberty is no vice.

"Man, we've been trying that for six days in Harlem and they call it a riot."

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# Dick Gregory

# Got Tip That Led To Three

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# <del>Inf</del>ormant Names 5 As Killers

Comedian Dick Gregory said here last night that he tipped off the FBI three weeks ago on the names of five persons who shot three civil rights workers to death in Mississippi, and where the bodies were buried.

Gregory, who is entertaining here at the Forbidden City nightclub, said he received the information in a letter from a man in Mississippi. The man wanted the \$25,000 reward that Gregory had offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killers.

Gregory would not disclose the name of his in-



castrated and be a t up,"
Gregory said: "They've got so many holes in their bodies that the FBI won't let their families see them."

formant, except to say that

said that three police offi-

cers, a preacher and a used

car salesmen were the mur-

"They (the three civil

rights workers) were shot,

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he was a Mississippi man.

GREGORY'S

derers.

The bodies were discovered Tuesday buried deep be-neath fill dirt in raw, red clay at a farm pond site n e a r Philadelphhia, Miss., where the three young men -two white and a Negrovanished 44 days ago.

UNITED PRESS International said that an informer. possibly paid a substantial sum of money, was reported to have led the FBI agents to the graves of the three rights workers.

The FBI, which had al-

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# Tip To Gregory Led To 3 Bodies

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ready searched the area the slavings. He said that a near Philadelphia, had offered a large reward for definite information. The most frequently mentioned amount was \$25,000.

Agents went directly to the site and dug about 20 feet into a mound of dirt that had been pushed up to form a dam for a pond. The bodies were found in a shallow grave about three feet deep beneath the mound of dirt.

GREGORY charged that the FBI delayed recovering the bodies "until something big happened — like Viet Nam" so the impact of the news would be buried.

Gregory said he received the informant's letter from Mississippi and later a tape recording which described

number of persons witnessed the slayings.

He said two persons had passed information to him about the incident and that he had reported it all to the

HE SAID ONE of the letters described the burial site as "five to eight miles to the right, coming south from Philadelphia, two to four hundred yards off the road."

This was the place where the FBI said they found the bodies of the three men: Andrew Goodman, 20, and Michael Schwerner, 24, both white men from New York, and James Chaney, 21, a Meridian, Miss., Negro. The FBI identified them by fingerprints and dental records.

UPI said that "several arrests" were imminent in the case.

OLEN BURRAGE, owner of the property on which the bodies were found, said FBI agents approached him Tuesday with a search warrant and asked to check the site. It is located about 5 miles southwest of Philadelphia.

"You are welcome to search anywhere you like," Burrage said he told the agents. Later, he said he went down to the four-acre clearing where the bodies were found and saw a dragline being used to move

Burrage, who operates a small truck line, said he had no idea who buried the bod-

"I just don't know anybody that would kill them and put them on my prop-erty." he said.

# Letter Says Northerners At Fault, Too

A letter to Dick Greory which led to the bodies of the three civil rights workers was a three-page typewritten document on legal sized paper.

Gregory said his informant was a Mississippi resident who went to Washing-

ton D. C. to mail the letter.

THE INFORMANT blamed northern civil rights leaders for sending the trio into the South where they faced danger; he discussed a community center set up in Meridian, Miss., for civil rights workers and said in. part, with mispellings corrected:

"These civil rights workers were marked people because of the community center and the (northern) auto tags ....

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"These Mississippins had



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figured out a way to get these civil rights workers arrested because after these southerners seen such things as Mr. Chaney (a victim) in the car or stationwagon and the mixed relations around the community center they wanted a chance to investigate . . .

"THERE IS a statement in the Meridian Star that Mr.-(one of those accused by the informant) stated at an election meeting that . . . he would take care of all niggers and nigger lovers . . .

The informant told Gregory that Chaney and the other victims were arrested for speeding and taken to the police station in Philadelphia, Miss. He went on:

"At about 10:30 p.m. the civil rights workers was said to have paid their fine and released from custody . . . and was said to have been followed to the city limits

"THE TIP-OFF boys were waiting between Meridian and Philadelphia, Miss., and surrounded by a sum of five men . . . that killed the three rights workers . (The five alleged killers were named in the letter.)

"The burial took place shortly after the mob had taken over which is in a field not too far from Philadelphia, Miss., between 200. to 400 yards off the road. And this is why that these three civil rights workers have never been really found. They are dead and have been since the 22nd day of June . . ."

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new york 18, 114 Alear me Gregory there is just to say the love been trying to Ontak you were since from the aware posted in the new apapers Concerning of information leader to the three missing men in mississippi, and with this belle I am sereaing along the information regarding the above stated matter, so as you may have a better understoreling, so the close for now and I do hope that this hill help to Clear up things for you and others, and that I may hear from you in the near fultare. lay trucket

Murder Tip: Envelope and one of the letters written Gregory by informant.

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Comedian Dick Gregory said today the Federal Bureau of Investigation knows the names of the five white persons who killed three civil rights workers in Mississippi.

Gregory has offered a \$25,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the culprits.

He said the civil rights workers were shot to death.

Gregory said a board, including his Chicago attorney, will determine distribution of the reward money when the slayers are brought to justice.

The comedian, a leader in the civil rights struggle, is working here at the Forbidden City, a night club. (Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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# Gregory's Slaying Tip Is Discounted

· A letter written to comworkers in Mississippi proved worthless, sources close to the Federal Bureau of Investigation reported today from Washington.

The sources said the letter was penned by a former psychiatric patient with a port itself is accurate, penchant for writing letters, the Associated Press report-

edian Dick Gregory on the reveal the fate of the three slaying of three civil rights civil rights workers whose bodies were found Tuesday, was based on newspaper accounts, the sources said.

> But Gregory, told of the Washington report, said in Honolulu that he isn't quite sure that the Washington re-

> He said the letter, which he turned over to the F.B.I.,

The letter, purporting to pretty well pinpointed the location of the bodies.

> In a news conference last night, Gregory charged that the "President right down the line to the F.B.I." tried to whitewash the whole

Today, he repeated his charges, and said the F.B.I. worked in such secrecy that it is difficult for Americans to know that it actually is doing.

Gregory said he never interviewed the writer of the letter.

The F.B.I. refused to comment on any aspect of the case.

But the White House reportedly has been told that the three page, typewritten letter-as well as tape reccordings that Gregory received-were valueless.

Sources in a position to know about the case de-scribed the letter writer as a 30-year-old Washington

They say the writer, when questioned in his Washington apartment, told investigators he had no information about the three civil rights workers except

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Dick Gregory holds a copy of a letter, written by a Mississippi man, which describes where the three missing civil rights workers had been buried in Mississippi.—Star-Bulletin Photo by Jack Matsumoto.

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what he had gleaned from newspapers and magazines.

The man is reported to have told interviewers that he had no intention of misleading or defrauding Gregory, but thought his document of June 30 would help the civil rights cause

Gregory had offered \$25,-000 reward for information leading to finding of the bodies and prosecution of the killage the killers.

· One official report on the writer described him as "a prolific letter writer and at times a nuisance.

He was said to spend much of his time in the Library of Congress, reviewing Southern newspapers to keep up with civil rights news.

And most of the information in his letter was described as warmed-over newspaper materials.

The letter reportedly made no mention of the earthen dam where the bodies were dug up Tuesday evening.

Gregory, in Honolulu for a nightclub engagement told newsmen he had been given tape recordings containing names of the alleged killers.

But investigators found those tapes of no more value than the letter, it was learned.

Gregory turned the letter over to the F.B.I, in San Francisco three weeks ago.

Gregory said he also turned over a tape recording which gave an account the slayings and the names of the slayers.

The bodies of the three civil rights workers, missing since June 21, were found Tuesday buried in a recently constructed earthern dam near Philadelphia, Mississippi.

"I wonder why the F.B.I. took so long in finding the bodies," Gregory said.

He said "It took something big like Vietnam" to come along before the F.B.I. made recovery of the bodies -probably to lessen the impact of the news of the inci-

Newsmen here last night heard a tape in which a Mississippi man identifies those involved in the slayings.

He named five persons.

The man was interviewed about the incident by a member of the Civil Rights Information Department in Mississippi.

"The F.B.I. has this tape interview," Gregory said.

The man who wrote him about the location of the buried bodies hinted at collecting the \$25,000 reward put by Gregory.

The man told Gregory "I have been trying to contact you since reading about the reward leading to the three civil rights workers missing."

The letter, dated July 6, was mailed to Gregory in care of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York.

Gregory received the let-

ter several days later.

The man gives an account of the trio paying their fines and being escorted out of the city with their car going South on Highway 19.

He said they were surrounded by five men who had been tipped off on the three workers' movements; and activities.

The letter is written in: poor grammar. It says the three men were killed by the gang and buried "in a field not too far from Philadelphia, Mississippi, tween five to 8 miles off the right coming South from Philadelphia between 2 to 4 hundred yards of the road.

"This is why these civil rights workers will never be found . . . they are dead and have been since 22nd day of June, 1964."

# STATION WAGON

The charred hulk of the station wagon used by the trio was located 15 miles north of Philadelphia two days after the men disappeared.

The site where the bodies were buried, was one mile off route 488 about six miles southwest of Philadelphia.

Gregory said the man's letter practically pin-pointed the place where the three were buried.

"The location was very close" he said, "and I believe the letter helped out in finding the bodies."

Gregory said he was in Europe at the time the men disappeared.

He said he later went to Mississippi, talked to the sheriff and other authorities there "who knew more about the case" than they said they knew.

Gregory said the informant claims the trio were castrated and shot to death.

"The Governor of Mississippi, President Johnson and the F.B.I. must have known where the missing people were," he said.

Gregory said that the "Negroes of Mississippi have a passion for distrust of F.B.I. agents."

So the civil rights people sent their own investigators into Mississippi to find out about what happened.

Gregory is currently entertaining at the Forbidden City nightclub.

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DICK GREGORY
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Enclosed as a matter of possible interest is a tape containing an interview of DICK GREGORY by JIM HUMPERT on the Pacific Builders Program, 4:40 p.m. 8/8/64, KGMB-TV. HUMPERT is owner of Pacific Builders, which sponsors a weekly program featuring a motion picture, followed by a "celebrity interview."

It appears that GREGORY is capitalizing on the racial situation to build up his personal popularity and also his personal income.

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# Gregory Lets Audience Hear Tape About Slayings

By TED KURRUS

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said, the Ku Klux Klan had magazine accounts. tried and sentenced him to death.

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an eighth name to the list. Gregory contends the let-He said he received the ad- ter was not written by the investigation.

Gregory also took issue Washington man to with criticism of a letter relayed to Gregory. Comedian Dick Gregory he received which revealed paused long enough from the fate of the three rights his funny stuff last night to workers and where their name who he said were the bodies were buried, sevmurderers of three civil eral weeks before their bod-

A source close to the near Philadelphia, Missis- Federal Bureau of Investigation termed the letter Gregory played for his worthless and said it was Forbidden City night club penned by a former psyaudience a taped interview chiatric patient—a 30-yearwith a Philadelphia inte- old Washington, D.C., man grationist sympathizer who who gleaned his informa-location.' fled his home because, he tion from newspaper and

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ditional name yesterday Washington man He said it "In a couple of days now from "sources" close to the was penned by someone in they'll be making these ar-Mississippi and sent to the rests.'

Gregory said the letter was written June 30, nine days after the three man vanished, and was post-marked Washington, D.C.,

"When everyone was assuming the boys were in the river, he (the letter writer) said their bodies were not too far from Philadelphia," said Gregory, "and he even described the

"They were heroes for doing it," he said.

Gregory said 15 copies of the taped interview have been sent to civil rights workers throughout the country in an effort to "force the Government's

"You watch," he said.

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Instant matter was opened when above-captioned subject, a nationally known Negro comedian, had allegedly directed vitriolic comments concerning the Government and contending he furnished the FBI information which led to the discovery of the bodies of the three civil rights workers found near Philadelphia, Mississippi.

Pertinent information in this matter has been furnished to the Bureau, Jackson, and other interested offices.

Newspaper accounts have reported that GREGGORY has completed his engagement at Forbidden City and has departed for the mainland. Therefore, it is suggested this matter be closed.

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Re Honolulu letter to Director, 10/26/64.

WFO file 37-0-0521 reflects the following information:

On 6/27/61, or the New Dunbur Hotel, loth who of Directs, N.W., Washington, D.C., telephoned WFO and furnished the following information:

Subject, a Negro female, age 46, height 5 feet 6 inches, weight 250 pounds, hair gray (dyed pale red), cashed three checks at the New Dunbar Rotel. The checks were drawn on the Northern Bank of Tennessee, Clarksville, Tennessee, in the amount of \$233.46 on 6/17/61; \$72.12 on 5/25/61; and \$161.34 on 6/5/61. The checks dated 5/23/61, and 6/5/61, were returned by the bank for insufficient funds. The check dated 6/17/61, was returned marked "account closed". The subject gave her telephone number to the hotel as MI 7-6178 in Clarksville, Tennessee. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ checked this telephone number and determined it was not listed to the subject.

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# Gregory Is Scum,' Says La. Governor

NEW ORLEANS (UPI)—Gov. John McKeithen of Louisiana said yesterday that Negro comedian Dick Gregory, who also is active in civil rights movements, is "nothing but trouble, scum and trash."

Gregory, in a talk last weekend at Bogalusa, La., attacked the FBI and said FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover is

"one of the lousiest dogs that ever lived."

McKeithen, in a news conference yesterday in New Orleans, urged Gregory, James Farmer, national director of the Congress of Racial Equality, and other civil rights workers to stay out of Louisiana.

He said Gregory especially "should not be allowed to run loose. Something is wrong with him." He said Gregory

is "nothing but trouble."

, "I could think of 100 other Negroes in the state who would be more qualified to lead them (Bogalusa Negroes)," McKeithen said.

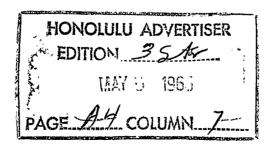
"They (outside civil rights workers) want to have violence created and when it doesn't happen outsiders become frustrated and that's why they make such comments as they do."

McKeithen urged white conservatives of Washington Parish (county) to postpone a planned rally and march or protest some place besides Bogalusa. The white conservatives are segregationists.

The group is scheduled to hold a rally Friday with Dallas County (Ala.) Sheriff Jim Clark and segregationist leader Leander Perez Sr. of Louisiana as speakers.

"The white people have the right to march and you can't blame them," McKeithen said. "However, any meetings held to incite emotions should not be held."

But Perez "can in no way be compared to trash like harmer and Gregory," McKeithen said. He said Perez is a Louisiana resident and has a right to go to Bogalusa.



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Dick Gregory tells Democratic officials that the Democratic National Convention will be held in Chicago only "over my dead body." He vowed Negro protests The comedian has ended his 40-day fast in protest against the Vietnam war. He went from 180 pounds to 140. Woman is Gregory's wife.

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. . . "Dick Gregory's Political Primer" due off the presses this month via Marper & Row. Some of Dick's thoughts: Campaign costs - "With that kind of money I could run for God . . . and win!" . . . Minorities: "The top half of the unemployment statistics and the bottorn half of the tables of income" ... FBI - "Seen on national television on ABC" . . . Rough, tough and extraordinary cinema -- "The French Connection" . . . Gregory Overheard: A big-wig Republican tongue-incheeked: "I may enter the Mayer's race - and if I win, I'll auction off birthday dinner rights

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PURCHASE OF BOOKS BOOK REVIEWS

ReBulets, 1/5/72, 1/24/72, and 1/25/72.

Enclosed herewith are two copies of Real Personages of Mother Goose" by KATHERINE EX THOMAS. M. V.

Dick Gregory's Political Primer", by DICK GREGORY which was furnished to the Bureau on 1/11/72, appears to be identical with the Bureau's request for "Dick Gregory's Election Handbook", by DICK GREGORY.

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Memorandum to Mr. W. R. Wannall
Re: Investigative Techniques of the FBI Contained in Books
Written by Former Bureau Personnel and Outsiders

"The Trial of Jimmy Hoffa" by James Riddle
Hoffa as told to Donald I. Rogers in 1970, mentions that
the FBI tapped the phones and bugged the quarters of Hoffa
and his attorneys. These charges were categorically refuted
in the court record.

"Kennedy Justice" by Victor S. Navasky in 1971, ///.
constituted a major attack on the Director and Bureau
concerning our use of technical and microphone surveillances.

Jim Bishop's "The Days of Martin Luther King, Jr." also in 1971, mentions the FBI's electronic surveillances on King.

In 1972, "Dick Gregory's Political Primer" by Richard Claxton Gregory dealt in part with unfounded allegations of extensive uncontrolled wiretapping surveillances and the FBI usage of informants to set up "political killings."

DC Vaga William W. Turner, former Agent, was the author of How to Avoid Electronics Eavesdropping and Private Invasion" in 1972, and accuses the Bureau of promiscuous tappings and buggings. Turner claimed 22 bugs were found in Las Vegas casinos in 1966, which were connected to leased lines channelled to the local FBI offices. claim was incorrect. Actually, the FBI microphone devices concealed in a telephone instrument in the Fremont Hotel in Las Vegas were discovered in 1963. Several months later six additional FBI microphones were discovered at other Las Vegas hotels. Three other microphones installed by the Bureau in two other hotels were not reported discovered and were never recovered by the Bureau. Turner described in detail and by diagram various electronic devices and cited methods by which they can be detected by the layman. discussed the "Mike-tel" which involves altering the use of a telephone set. He described a small unit perfected by the FBI referred to as a bumper-beeper that when dropped into a gas tank will continuously energize itself by chemical reaction to the fuel. This was completely false. He accurately and factually described CAT, our "autobug" for the concealed automobile transmitter.

Memorandum to Mr. W. R. Wannall Re: Request of Constitutional

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## DETAILS:

On 6/28/74, representing the majority members of captioned subcommittee, met with representatives of IRS and SA W. Hammond Floyd at IRS Headquarters. IRS files containing the following FBI material were reviewed:

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Mr. William Sessions Federal Bureau of Investigation 10th & Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Sessions:

I am in Little Rock, Arkansas working with a Grass Roots organization called D.I.G.N.I.T.Y. D.I.G.N.I.T.Y. has been patrolling a drug-ridden community in Little Rock, Arkansas. We are now getting ready to move into other drug-ridden areas in Little Rock.

We are patrolling under the protection of the United States Constitution, specifically, Freedom of Speech and Freedom of Peaceful Assembly. We are demonstrating against the horrors of drugs. We will be in communication with you, your Little Rock office and the U.S. Attorney General Office of our happenings and progress.

Cordially

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# U.S. Workers Stage Antiwar Protest

By Paul W. Valentine
Washington Post Statt, Writer

About 400 war protesters, more than half of them federal employees, marched on the Capitol resterday, adding their demand to others in the past two days here that Congress end the Indochina war by cutting off funds for it.

With new militancy, representatives of an organization called Federal Employees for Peace (FEP) also urged government workers to boycott U.S. savings bonds and violate the Hatch Act, which prohibits partisan political activity among federal employees, by supporting "peace candidates" for president.

The march and rally at the Capitol came near the end of a non-stop, 36-hour "emergency moratorium" program aimed at demonstrating a new popular outpouring of antiwar sentiment triggered by the recent escalation of U.S. bombing in North Vietnam.

While congressional staff employees kept up a continuous reading of the list of American war dead on the west steps of the Capitol yesterday, about 600 protesters rallied on the central east steps of the building in the early afternoon. They cheered antiwar Reps. Ronald V. Dellums (D-Calif.) and William Fitz Ryan (D-N-Y.), plus such protest activists as Pentagon Papers figure Diniel Ellsberg, comedian Dick Grezory and former White House, assistant

Marcus laskin.—
This war is illegal, immoral and insane," shouted Dellums to the crowd filling most of the steps.

A popular mass movement, he said, is the only way to pressure Congress to end the war and to "reach some of my colleagues (who) are so caught up in their own aggrandizement and expediency."

Gregory, emaciated from his year-long fast in protest against the war, said a nation-wide boycott of General Motors and other large corporations is the only way "to turn around the stinking, slimy, degenerate freaks running this capitalistic country."

Once "they feel it," he said, "they'll be running to Nixon to stop the war, I'll tell you."

"We're not on the wrong side," said Elisberg to cheers. "We (the U.S.) are the wrong side,"

During the rally, police kept a narrow path open up the steps for tourists who gawked at the crowd of young protesters, many bearded, disheveled and long haired.

The rally was one of many scattered antiwar actions around the country yesterday, many of them staged as anniversary memorials to the May 4, 1970, killing of four Kent State University students by Ohio National Guardsmen during antiwar demonstrations

there.
A planned 24-hour vigil by Kent students at the Justice Department here, however, was canceled after parents of the slain students issued a statement saying they wished

to show "deference to the memory" of FBI director J. Edgar Hoover who died Tuesday.

The parent' statement said the FBI investigation of the Kent shooting was the "most thorough and impartial law enforcement examination of what happened," but the parents protested the Justice Department's failure to act on the findings.

Yesterday's federal employees' demonstration began at McPherson equare, 15th and K Streets NW, with a noon rally, B. APPROX. 1942

Madelyw Gold, 30, who said she is acting director of the office of Indian affairs in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, urged employees to disregard Hatch Act restrictions and campaign for "peace candidates."

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"We cannot stand by and let Nixon win again," she said. Other employees passed out leaflets urging workers to refuse to buy savings bonds and cancel the ones they have. "Refuse to give the government money to destroy the people of Indochina," the leaflet said.

The crowd, about 400 strong, then marched to the Capitol along the Pennsylvania Avenue sidewalks. "Fed-

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Post 5/5/72 Page A-3 eral Employees for Peace." read a large purple and orange banner at the head of the march line.

At the Capitol, the protesters mounted the east steps and their numbers grew to about 600. After the speeches by Ellsberg, Gregory, Dellums and Ryan, the crowd shouted repeatedly, "Out now, join us."

On the other side of the building, the reading of the war dead list continue and was to end at midnight last night. Organizers said more than 80 congressional staff members from both Democratic and Republican offices participated.

Elsewhere in the nation, about 100 Vietnam veterans and 400 Kent State students participated in a silent march on the Kent campus, Many of the veterans wore medals and battle fatigues. All classes were canceled.

In New York, about 150 protesters blocked the entrance of the mid-Manhattan offices of Honeywell, Inc. and presented a mock showcause order accusing the firm of selling war material to promote genocide in Vietnam. There were no arrests. The firm manufactures electronic equipment.

Classes were suspended at many universities in the Boston area and protesters joined rallies, teach-ins and Kent State memorial services. Seventy-six persons were arrested for blocking an entrance to Westover Air Force Base in Chicopee, Mass.

In Cleveland, the American Civil Liberties Union filed suits totaling \$12.1 million against the state of Ohio and the Ohio National Guard in connection with the Kent State shootings. The suits charged state officials with responsibility for the shootings and asked for specific money damages for all students killed and wounded.

At the University of Maryland, National Guardsmen who had patrolled the College Park campus for five days following antiwar demonstrations last month were recalled last night after a bout 150 students blocked U.S. Rtc. 1, which runs through campus. State police cleared the highway and made many arrests.

Yesterday afternoon, about 175 students gathered for a Kent memorial rally. About 75 then marched to the home of University President Wilson H. Elkins to demand a meeting on the removal of ROTC from campus.

Three arrests were made in the afternoon. One of those arrested, Grenory Thinkel. 33, was charged with counseling arson. Dunkel, a former University of Maryland student, is a mathematics instructor at Howard University. Officials had incomplete information of the other arrests.

A peaceful march by about 750 students preceded last night's brief takeover of Rte. 1.

In another development, prominent Washington attormey Monroe H. Freedman and antiway activist H. Brinton (Brint Dillingham filed a petition vesterday for the "emergency commitment" of Defense Secretary Melvin Laird to a mental facility.

Freedman, a George Wash-

ington University Law School professor and ACLU cooperating attorncy, said the petition is not frivolous.

"It's serious and I mean it," he said. "Laird and the others in the administration responsible for the saturation bombing and prolonging of the war are insane in both the medical and legal sense."

Freedman and Dillingham filed the petition in Montgomery County, where Laird lives, with county police Capt. Paul Jackson. The next step is for a court hearing, Freedman said.

"The person to be admitted," says the petition, "has manifested symptoms of severe mental disorder and presents a clear and imminent danger of causing grave and immediate harm to hundreds of thousands of men, women and children."

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Comedian Dick Gregory Calls for boycott as means of stopping "degenerate freaks running this country."

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# Dichon Black Activists Are FBI Targets

By Jack Anderson

The FBI is conducting systematic surveillance of black leaders, who are guilty of nothing more serious than excessive political rhetoric.

Millions of dollars have been invested in the FBI's investigation of "racial matters." But our study of the secret files indicates that the investigation has been heavily onesided. Only the most extreme white racists have come under FBI scrutiny, but almost every prominent black leader in the country has an FBI dossier in his name. Even congressmen ad Nixon-Agnew supporters, if they're black, are regarded with suspicion by the FBI.

The list of black "subversives" includes such apostles of non-violence as the late Secret Capitalist Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., his wife, Coretta Scott handsome young preacher" who Association for the Advance-black capitalism. . . ." ment of Colored People dolph Institute.

The FBI has even zeroed in

McKissick Jr., whose political this affair was held in a successor to Floyd McKissick activities have been chronicled church, since churches are as chairman of CORE, have by the FBI in a fat file.

Now director of the new town of "Soul City," N.C., Mc-Kissick made headlines when blacks down." he lambasted the Democratic its promises." The Nixon administration, he said, has offered more than "just the rhetoric."

Like many a white politician, McKissick has jumped the political fence. For two years earlier, he had called Mr. Nixon "one of the nation's leading proponents of Law and Order - Facist Style." McKissicks words were duly Harlem, New York." deposited in his bulging FBI

13, 1970, is stamped "Secret-King; the Rev. Ralph David No Foreign Dissemination." Abernathy; Jesse Jackson, the One of the deep, dark secrets "country noted by FBI agent Thomas L. recently Beckwith was that McKissick ceipts. started a self-help group in "has made several speeches Chicago; Roy Wilkins, execu-throughout the U.S. during tive director of the National 1969 wherein he advocated

But far more grievous, Mc-(NAACP); and Bayard Rustin, Kissick, "in one speech stated director of the A. Philip Ran-the Black Panther Party should be supported."

FBI agents were also listenon President Nixon's most ar- ing when McKissick at a black equally between King and the ticulate black supporter, for bash in Brooklyn "commented SCLC." mer CORE director Floyd unfavorably on the fact that The finances of Roy Innis,

among groups infiltrated by the FBI and Central Intelligence Agency which hold the nously that he has "attended

The federal sleuths have Party for failing to deliver "on also been poking their noses into McKissick's financial affairs. States one entry:

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### Mrs. King's Finances

The FBI has also been prying into Coretta Scott Another entry, dated Jan. King's finances. When a docuwas husband appearing around the country, the top cops were busy counting re-

> The movie's first run, says a confidential memo dated Aug. 5, 1970, "resulted in receipts in excess of \$2,000.000. By arrangements made prior to March 24, 1970, by Coretta Scott King and officials of the SCLC the receipts fo this movie were to be divided

been meticulously catalogued, too. And Innis's file notes omimarches to protest against the war in Vietnam...."

Ralph David Abernathy, suçcessor to the martyred Dr. King, rates a file that would "Floyd McKissick, it was choke a hippopotamus. The FBI's investigators seem most intrigued over his troubles with his colleagues.

An FBI informant reported on March 6, 1970, for example in the amount of \$2,500. This that one colleague, Hosea Williams, "remarked to some asited to McKissick's account in sociates he was rather conthe Freedom National Bank, cerned as to the cool and noticeably distant attitude recently displayed by ... Abernathy."

Black artists, entertainers and sports figures, who speak up for their race, are also susmentary film about her late pect. One of the thickest FBI files is devoted to former heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali. Actor singer Harry Belafonte and author James Baldwin are kept under surveillance, too.

The file on black comedian Dick Gregory could be measured by the pound. Author-actor-playwright Ossie Davis and his wife have been investigated numerous times. Singer Eartha Kitt is quoted as being opposed to statehood for Puerto Rico.

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Dr. Benjamin Spock (100-445115). Investigation was initiated in 1968 to determine whether speeches by Spock were seditious and whether his activities were subversive.

Anderson's mention in the 5/12/72 column concerning the FBI review of university records pertaining to Spock was the result of a 12/64 White House request for a Special Inquiry investigation. In connection with this matter, the records of Case Western Reserve University were reviewed, and the results of the investigation were provided to The White House.

The same information about the review of university records was later incorporated into an FBI report dated 4/16/68 and was disseminated to Secret Service, the Department, and military intelligence.

Anderson's 5/16/72 column reported the FBI is "conducting systematic surveillance of black leaders." Besides the individuals already described and explained above, he refers to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Jesse Jackson, Roy Wilkins, Bayard Rustin, Roy Innis, Dick Gregory, Eartha Kitt, and Mr. and Mrs. Ossie Davis.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (100-106670). Because of communist influence of SCLC and King's reported close association with communists, investigation of him was conducted. The results were widely disseminated.

(157-6760). Beginning in 1969, a limited be investigation (through established sources) was instituted because of reported close association between him and the Black Panther Party, Communist Party, and Nation of Islam. The results have been disseminated to Secret Service, the Department, CIA, and IRS.

Roy Wilkins (62-78270). He has not been investigated by the FBI. Information he has furnished and from public sources has been accumulated. Upon request, information has been forwarded to The White House, State, Labor, Civil Service, USIA, the Department, and military intelligence.

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Bayard Rustin (100-158790). He was investigated in 1943 and 1944 for Selective Service violation and subsequently for reported membership in communist organizations. Data concerning him has been provided The White House, Secret Service, USIA, Civil Service, CIA, State, and HUD.

(100-448180). On 11/21/67, a preliminary investigation was initiated in view of his reported advocacy of black revolution. The quotation in Anderson's 5/16/72 column concerning Innis' participation in anti-Vietnam War marches is from the synopsis of an FBI report of 2/27/68 which was sent to Secret Service, the Department, USIA, and IRS.

Dick Gregory (100-440423). Investigation was begun 8/19/67 because of extremely violent statements of a revolutionary nature made by him. He has displayed sympathy for and has associated with known communists, black extremists, and revolutionary activists. The results have been sent to Secret Service, the Department, CIA, State, and IRS.

Eartha Kitt (62-112009). She has not been investigated by the FBI. Concerning Anderson's 5/16/72 statement regarding her opposition to Puerto Rican statehood, this is likely to have come from information provided 1/19/68 to The White House per a name check request. Secret Service and the Department were also supplied with the same material.

Ossie Davis (100-420533) and Ruby Wallace Davis (Ruby Dee) (100-428507). Investigation on him was begun in 1955 and on her in 1958, both because of their reported strong support of communist causes. Information concerning them has been sent to Secret Service, the Department, State, and The White House.

Additionally it is to be noted Anderson's column of 5/17/72 contains more criticism of the FBI, alleging the private lives of persons are a focal point of FBI investigations. This column will be the subject of a separate memorandum.

ANALYSIS: The questioned material in Anderson's captioned columns is all from FBI reports, letterhead memoranda, or White House summaries, a large portion of which are classified. The material is all from disseminated documents. Of 29 of the items,

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19 were disseminated to Secret Service but not to The White House, 7 were disseminated to both The White House and Secret Service, and 3 were disseminated only to The White House.

This pattern raises the question as to whether someone at The White House has access to material disseminated to Secret Service, or whether someone at Secret Service has access to material disseminated to The White House (but not by the FBI to Secret Service). This aspect is being discreetly checked out to determine the possibility of Anderson's source being either at The White House or at Secret Service.

Attention is invited to memorandum of M. A. Jones to Mr. Bishop, 5/1/72, captioned "Jack Anderson's Column in 'The Washington Post' of 5/1/72." That memorandum lends support to the above analysis by noting that information on the 12 individuals mentioned by Anderson, 5/1/72, had been previously furnished to The White House and/or Secret Service.

We are continuing our analysis of all such items appearing in Anderson's column in an effort to isolate a single document or item which might pinpoint Anderson's source for FBI material.

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FD-515 (Rev. 2-24-86) **ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT** (Effective 10/1/85) (Submit within 30 days from date of accomplishment) DIRECTOR, FBI 6/10/87 Bureau File Number Investigative Assistance or Technique Used SAC, ATLANTA (C) 70D-6118 Were any of the investigative assistance or techniques listed below used in connection Field Office File Number b7C ment being claimed? 🔼 No 🔲 Yes - If Yes, rate each used as follows: RICHARD GREGORY. = Used, but did not help 3 = Helped, substantially 7 2 = Helped, but only minimally 4 = Absolutely essential aka, Dičk Gregory; HOSEA D WILLIAMS; Squad or RA Number 1. Acctg Tech Assistance Rating 8. Eng. Sect. Tape Exams Rating 15. Photographic Rating 22. Telephone Coverage Toll Recs 9. Hypnosis Assistance 23. UCO Group I 2. Aircraft 16. Polygraph CGR-TRESPÀSSING AT Agent's Social Security No. THE U.S. PENITEN-3. Computer Assistance 10. Ident Div 17. Search Warrants 24. UCO X if a joint operation with TIARY-ATLANTA; 4. Consensual Monitoring 18. Show Money 25. UC Other 11. Informant Information Usage 00:AT (Identity of other agency) 12. Lab Div Exama 19. Sürvell. Sqd (80G) Asst 26. NCAVC/ VI-CAP X if case involves 6. ELSUR Title III 20/SWAT Team /Action 27. Visual Invest corruption of a public 13. Lab Div Field Support Analysis (VIA) official (Federal, State or Local). 7. Eng. Sect. Field Support 14: Pen Registers 21. Tech. Agt. or A. Preliminary Judicial Process Complaints Informations Indictments D. Recoveries, Restitutions, or Potential Economic Loss Preyented (PELP). (Explain valuation in remarks) Property Type Code\* (Number of subjects) Recoveries Potential Economic Type Code\* Loss Prevented B. Arrests, Locates, Summonses or Subpoenss Served (No. of Subj.) \$ Subject Priority\* 8 \$ FBI Arrests \$ \$ FBI Locates -Criminal \$ Local Arrests Local Crim Summons FBI Subj. Resisted ; Armed G. Release of Hostages or Children Located: (Number of Hostages or Children E. Civil Matters Government Defendants Government Plaintiff \$ Hostages Held By Terrorists . ...; All Other Hostage Situations Amount of Sult Missing or Kidnaped Children Located Settlement or Award Enter AFA Payment Here F. Final Judicial Process: District State Conviction or Pretrial Div. Date Sentence Date Acquitted Dismissed Subject 1 Subject Description Code\* -Subject 3 Subject Description Code\*-Felony Conviction Combined Sentence Conviction Combined Sentence Felony In-Jail Suspended Probation In-Jail Suspended Probation Υгв Title Section Counts Mos Section Counts Yrs | Mos Yrs | Mos Yrs ☐ Misde-Misdemeano Total Fines \$ Fines \$ Plea Plea Add consecutive sentences together Add consecutive sentences together П Trial Trial Enter longest single concurrent sentence Enter longest single concurrent sentence Pretrial Pretrial Do not add concurrent sentences together Do not add concurrent sentences Sentence 10 yrs.-8 yrs. susp. = 2 yrs. in-Jail Diversion Sentence 10 yrs Subject 2 Subject Description Code\* --Subject 4 Subject Description Code\*-Combined Sentence Conviction Combined Sentence Conviction Felony DE SES In-Jail Suspended Probation In-Jail Yrs Mos Counts Mos Yrs. Counts Yrs. Misde-Misde Fines \$ Fines \$ Plea Plea Add consecutive sentences together. Add consecutive sentences to П Trial ☐ Trial Enter longest:eingle.concurrent.sentence... Do not add concurrent sentences together Sentence 10-yrs/:8 47 3 3 2 2 2 yrs. In Enter longest single concurrent sentence. Pretrial Pretrial Do not add concurrent sentences together Diversion Sentence 10 yrs:-8 yrs. susp. = 2 yrs. in-Jail. Attach additional forms if reporting final judicial process on more than four subjects, and submit a final disposition for (R-84) for each Remarks: (Fgravery subject reported in Sections A, B or F above, provide name, DOB, race\*, sex, and POB and SSAN if available.) On 4/22/87, RICHARD GREGORY and HOSEA L. WILLIAMS were arrested without incident by Buagents at the U.S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, GREGORY and WILLIAMS were arrested for violation of Title 18, USC, Section 1793, Trespass on Bureau of Prisons Reservations and Lands. GREGORY is a black male, DOB: 10/12/32, POB: St. Louis, Missouri, SSAN: 496-30-2279. WILLIAMS is a black WILLIAMS is a black male, DOB: 1/5/26, POB: Attapulgus, Georgia. ABMINISTRATIVE: Lengthy period between dictation date and date JDB/cg (5) of communication due to statute (1-70D-6118)(1-66-685-SF1)(1-AT)

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- 25 Ransom, Extortion or Bribe Demand Aborted
- 26 Theft from, or Fraud Against, Government Scheme Aborted
- 27 Commercial or Industrial Theft Scheme Aborted
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- 1D OC Subject Other Than LCN
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3D U.N. Employee Without Diplomatic Immunity 6H Fed Empl - G\$ 12 & below

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- 4A Known Member of a Terrorist Organization
- 4B Possible Terrorist Member or Sympathizer

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All Others:

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### Claiming Non-Federal Arrests, Summonses, Recoveries or Convictions:

It is permissible to claim a local arrest, summons, recovery or conviction if the FBI significantly contributed to the accomplishment. A succinct narrative setting forth the basis for the claim must accompany this report. When claiming a local recovery, enter the word "LOCAL" to the right of the amount. Enter "LF" in the "In-Jail" block for all life sentences and "CP" for capital punishment sentences.

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Convictions should not be reported until the sentence has been issued. There are two exceptions to this rule. The conviction information can be submitted by itself if:

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- 2. The subject dies after conviction but prior to sentencing.

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ON APRIL 22, 1987, AT 4:00 P.M., A SMALL GROUP OF

INDIVIDUALS, APPROXIMATELY EIGHT IN NUMBER, ENTERED THE GROUNDS

OF THE U.S. PENITENTIARY IN ATLANTA. THEIR PURPOSE WAS TO STAGE

A FEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION CONCERNING THE CONDITIONS AT IHE U.S.

PENITENTIARY, WHICH HOUSES APPROXIMATELY 1,500 CUBAN DETAINÉES.

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CORRECTIONAL OFFICER FOR THE U.S. BUREAU OF PRISONS, ADVISED THE
GROUP THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO DISPENSE AND LEAVE THE GROUNDS OF
THE U.S. PENITENTIARY. ALL THE INDIVIDUALS IN THE GROUP COMPLIES
WITH THIS REQUEST EXCEPT FOR POLITICAL ACTIVISTS DICK GREGORY AND
HOSEA L. WILLIAMS. THESE TWO INDIVIDUALS REFUSED TO LEAVE THE
PRISON GROUNDS.

BUREAU AGENTS RESPONDED TO THE SCENE AND WERE GIVEN VERBAL
AUTHORIZATION BY THE U.S. ATTORNEYS' OFFICE TO ARREST DICK
GREGORY AND HOSEA L. WILLIAMS. AT APPROXIMATELY 5:20 P.M.,

IN THE PRESENCE OF

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ADVISED GREGORY AND WILLIAMS THAT THEY WERE TRESPASSING
ON U.S. BUREAU OF PRISONS PROPERTY AND REQUESTED THAT THEY LEAVE.
GREGORY AND WILLIAMS REFUSED TO LEAVE AND SUBSEQUENTLY WERE
ARRESTED BY BUREAU AGENTS. GREGORY AND WILLIAMS WERE TRANSPORTED
TO THE DOUGLAS COUNTY JAIL AND WILL APPEAR BEFORE UNITED STATES

MAGISTRATE JOHN R. STROTHER JR., ON APRIL 23, 1987.

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MEDIA UNIT; GENERAL GOVERNMENT CRIME UNIT DICK GREGORY, HOSEA L.

WILLIAMS; CGR - TRESPASSING AT THE UNITED STATES PENITENTIARY -

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70-75218-1 REFERENCE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU DATED APRIL 23. 1987.

ON APRIL 22, 1987, AT APPROXIMATELY 4:00 P.M., HOSEA L. WILLIAMS, DICK GREGORY, AND OTHERS, WITHOUT AUTHORITY OR PERMISSION, ENTERED UPON THE GROUNDS OF THE UNITED STATES PENITENTIARY, ATLANTA, GEORGIA. MR. WILLIAMS AND MR. GREGORY PASSED THROUGH A GATEWAY IN THE FENCE AT THE PENITENTIARY UPON WHICH SIGNS WERE POSTED WHICH READ, "U.S. PROPERTY, NO TRESPASSING", AND "NOTICE, NO TRESPASSING ON THIS PROPERTY UNDER

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# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

# INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 4/23/87

DICK GREGORY, HOSEA L. WILLIAMS;

CGR-TRESPASSING AT THE U. S.

Re: PENITENTIARY-ATLANTA
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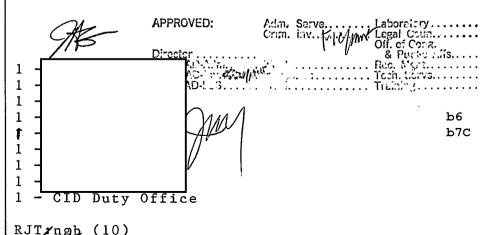
On 4/22/87, at 4:00 p.m., a small group of individuals, approximately eight in number, entered the grounds of the U. S. Penitentiary (USP) Atlanta. Their purpose was to stage a peaceful demonstration to protest the conditions at the U. S. Penitentiary, which houses approximately 1,500 Cuban detainees.

They were formally advised by USP officials that they were trespassing and would have to dispense and leave the grounds of the USP. All the individuals in the group complied except for political activists Dick Gregory and Hosea L. Williams.

Attorney's Office, Dick Gregory and Hosea L. Williams were arrested by Bureau Agents and transported to the Douglas County Jail to appear before United States Magistrate John R. Strother, Jr, on 4/23/87, for violation of Title 18, USC 1793, Trespass.

Based upon verbal authorization by the U. S.

Atlanta is following this matter closely and was referred to OCPA at 5:30 p.m., last night.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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SUBJECT:

ARTISTS COMMITTEE FOR IRISH FREEDOM IS - IRELAND

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ReNYlets and LHMs dated 4/27/71, 7/26/71 and 8/19/71.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

The LHM has been classified "Confidential protect the identity of sources of continuing value, the unauthorized disclosure of which could be prejudicial to the internal security interests of the US.

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Records at County Clerks Offices were checked

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A reproduction of a printed circular, mentioned in enclosed LHM, which depicted by photo PAT KING handing over check for \$4,213.00, was included in report at New York dated 11/18/71, under caption of the "NAIF-RA" (Bufile 105-212344).

The NYO will follow any pertinent developments regarding captioned organization through maintaining

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION New York, New York January 26, 1972

Artists Committee for Irish Freedom (ACIF)

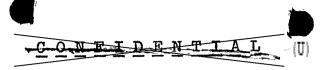
NY T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that it is his understanding, through conversations with numerous persons acquainted with organizational activities of Irish-American variety in the New York area, that the Artists Committee for Irish Freedom (hereinafter referred to as the ACIF, but not to be confused thereby with a completely different organization having the same initials, namely the American Congress for Irish Freedom) was formed over a year ago for the expressed purpose of publicizing the demands of the Northern Ireland Civil Rights Association (NICRA), and the National Association for Irish Freedom (NAIF). The ACIF has developed a committee that includes a number of prominent artists and performers, and includes as members of its Executive Committee a number of persons who have been active in the leadership of the NAIF, namely Brian Heron, National Coordinator, Seamus Naughton, Treasurer, and Ellen Mullen, Secretary, all three of whom have played prominent roles in the leadership of the NAIF.

NY T-1 stated that the ACIF is generally regarded within organizational circles within the Irish-American community in this area, as an adjunct to, or as a support group closely affiliated with the NAIF. He stated that it apparently works closely with the NAIF, and although it does not appear to be widely publicized as an organization under its own name, it is believed that one of its more conspicuous functions has been to provide entertainers for various affairs sponsored by or supported

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by the NAIF. An example of such an affair was the Irish Freedom Concert, sponsored jointly by the ACIF and the NAIF, which was held at Carnegie Hall in New York City, New York, on April 12, 1971, as a fund-raising enterprise, publicized as having been conducted for the relief of the families of political prisoners in Ireland. possible example, according to NY T-1, has been the providing of entertainment at demonstrations sponsored by the NAIF, such as the NAIF-sponsored "Unity Rally" held August 21, 1971, on Fifth Avenue near 45th Street, New York City, in the vicinity of the offices of the British Overseas Airways Corporation (BOAC), at which Carmel Quinn and Michael Jesse Owens reportedly provided professional entertainment in the form of traditional Irish music.

NY T-1 stated that the NICRA is an organization representing a coalition of several groups and organizations in the North of Ireland, with headquarters in Belfast, Northern Ireland. He stated that the NAIF, with headquarters in New York City, is frequently referred to in various newspaper accounts, as the official representative in America of the Northern Ireland Civil Rights Association.

NY T-1 stated on November 11 and December 15, 1971, that he did not know of any specific activity on the part of ACIF, per se, during the past several weeks.

On December 17, 1971 and January 6, 1972, NY T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information similar to that provided by NY T-1. He stated that it is his understanding, through discussions with persons familiar with activities within Irish-American circles in this city, that the ACIF works closely with the NAIF, and acts as a support group for the objectives of the NAIF. He stated that to the best of his knowledge, the ACIF has not been mentioned prominently, nor received any widespread publicity in the recent past, either in the newspapers of Irish-American variety that are available in this area, or elsewhere. He said that it is his belief that included among the better known functions of the ACIF, has been the providing of professional entertainers to perform at various NAIF-sponsored affairs.

"Trish Echo," a weekly newspaper published at New York City, published an item on page 1 of its issue of August 21, 1971, stating that folk singer Pete Seeger had pledged the support of the ACIF to the NAIF-sponsored Unity Rally held on August 21, 1971.

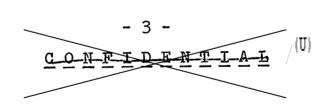
A copy/of the program of the concert given under ACIF and NAIF auspices at Carnegie Hall on April 12, 1971, reflects that Pete Seeger is a member of the ACIF, and that "Jesse" Owens was among those on the Concert program.

The January 22, 1972 issue of "Irish Echo," published an item on page 8, announcing protest rallies sponsored by the NAIF, scheduled for January 22, 1972 from 6:00 to 9:00 PM, and January 23, 1972 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM, to protest the appearances at Felt Forum, Madison Square Garden, New York City, of a unit of the Scots Guard Regiment on those dates at the Garden. The Scots Guard Regiment was described as a British Army unit that has just completed a tour of active cervice in Northern Ireland where it allegedly engaged in terrorist activities against the Irish people in minority ghetto areas. Listed as co-sponsors of the protest rallies, were Peter Hamill, Elliot Gould, Dick Gregory, and Pete Seeger.

The names of all of the aforementioned co-sponsors are included on a list of the ACTF Artists Committee which was published in the program for the Irish Freedom Concert at Carnegie Hall held April 12, 1971.

Over \$4,000 Derived From Carnegie Hall Concert Reportedly Turned Over to NICRA

An article announcing sponsorship by the Artists Committee for Irish Freedom of the Irish Freedom Concert at Carnegie Hall, April 12, 1971, published on page 13 of the March 13, 1971 issue of "Irish Echo," stated, in part:



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"According to a press release issued by the Artists Committee, money received will be sent to a subcommittee set up by the Northern Ireland Civil Right's Association for that purpose."

Brian Heron, in a letter published in "The Advocate" of May 8, 1971, announced that the benefit concert held at Carnegie Hall on April 12, 1971, had been a financial success, the net proceeds of which was \$6,000, and that "to date, more than \$4,000 has been sent for the relief of Irish political prisoners and their dependents."

"The Advocate," a weekly newspaper published at New York, on page 2 of the issue of July 3, 1971, published a column entitled "GALLAGHER Reports," containing comments concerning a meeting of the National Association for Irish Justice held the previous Sunday in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, New York.

(Various sources suggest that the word "Justice" used in the article was a mistake, and that the event referred to was a meeting of NAIF officers.)

According to the column, Helen Mullins, Chairlady of the meeting, in giving a summary of the association's activities, "read from a financial report that \$4,000 derived from the concert held in Carnegie Hall was forwarded to the Northern Irish Civil-Rights Association through Patricia King, who delivered the check in person."

Patricia King was described as one of the officers of the Association who was present at the meeting.

(Various sources also suggest that the person named as Helen Mullins in the article probably refers to Ellen Mullen, National Coordinator of the NAIF.)

A one-page printed circular bearing the name of the National Association for Irish Freedom at the bottom therof, announcing an Irish and American Unity Rally on

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September 11, (1971) at 45th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City, was made available by an anonymous source on September 13, 1971. The circular indicated that Ann Hope, Executive Treasurer of the Northern Ireland Civil Rights Association, would be one of the speakers at the rally.

The circular included a reproduction of a photograph of three young women over a caption reading: "Pat King of the NAIF hands Ann Hope two checks amounting to \$4,213 as N.I.C.R.A. Executive Secretary Madge Davidson looks on."

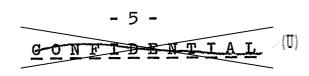
(Where or when the photo had been taken was not indicated.)

With respect to Patricia King, mentioned above, records of the Security and Investigations Section, New York City Police Department (SIS, NYCPD), made available on October 7, 1971, disclose that one Patricia King, who was described as having been born in County Mayo, was one of four persons affiliated with the National Association for Irish Freedom who were arrested in connection with a sit-in demonstration conducted at the British Consulate on Third Avenue in New York City on August 12, 1971. She gave her address as 103-27 126th Street, Queens, New York.

# Miscellaneous

The current Cross-Referenced Address-Telephone Directory for Manhattan, New York City, dated November 9, 1971, lists both the ACIF and the NAIF as subscribers to the same telephone number, 254-1757, at 799 Broadway, New York City.

As of December 9, 1971, it was observed that the names of both the ACIF and the NAIF still appear on the directory in the lobby of the building at 799 Broadway,



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as occupants of room 422, on the door of which appears a painted sign bearing the names of both these organizations.

A review of records of Incorporations maintained at County Clerks Offices for Manhattan, Queens, and Bronx Counties was conducted on November 4, 5 and 8, 1971, with negative results for any record reflecting incorporation by the ACIF at those locations.

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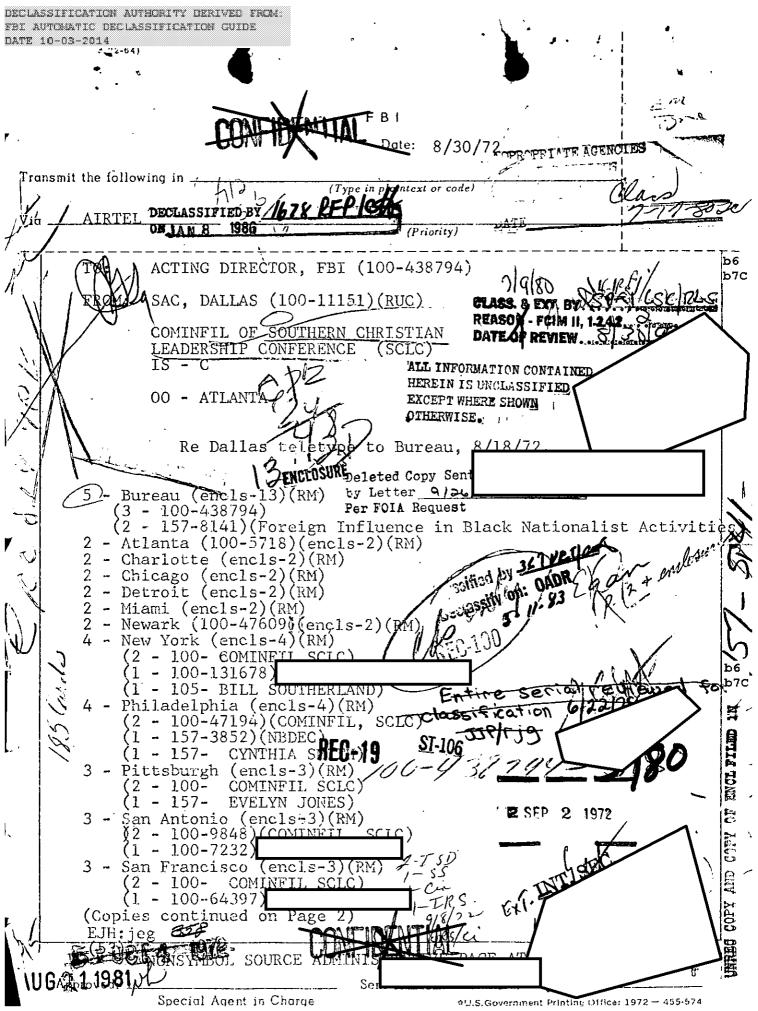
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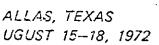
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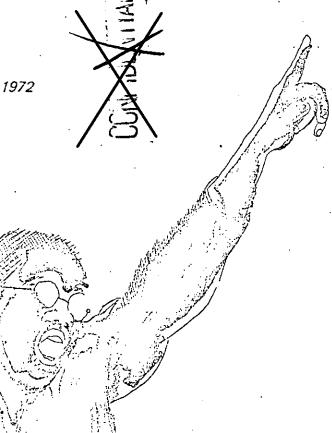


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# 15th ANNUAL CONVENTION

Theme: "Politics '72:
The Challenge of Poor People"





# Greetings

by Ralph David Abernathy, President

We have come to Dallas for the 15th Annual Convention of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference — one of the most important assemblies in our history.

We meet with a theme, "POLITICS 72: The Challenge of Poor People." Let us meet also with a noble purpose — to provide leadership for poor people and for the nation so that we can save this country and build a decent and just society.

The United States of America will be 200 years old in 1976. If poor people have any hope of joining in a calebration four years from now, we must take action in 1972 to provide a government which represents and serves the people instead of oppressing us.

The State of Texas itself reflects the problems we confront all over the nation: vast wealth alongside crushing poverty, the privilege of oil in stark contrast to the abuse of poor people, rich old men attempting to control the destiny of black, chicano and young people. We must put an end to these contradictions and it is the Southern Christian Leadership Conference which must show the way.

To do this, we must knock on doors, register voters, educate the citizens on the issues, and GET OUT THE VOTE in the eleven Southern states. We must organize in the same way note twenty-four major cities where we have chapters and when the vote will be critical in choosing the next national administration. This work must begin the day after our convention and it must continue intensively through election day, November 7, 1972

Let us have a great convention, and then go forward with the challenge of poor people — a movement to make America what she must be.

Wednesday, August 16th Breakfast

> **Opening Session** St. John Baptist Church

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION Presiding: Rev. M Wilson, Board Member EMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

Devotions - Dr. Roland mith\_Board Member :30 A.M.

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Business Session

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Introduction: Dr. Benjamin Hooks, Member, F.C.C.

President's Address-Dr. Ralph David Abernathy

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Invocation - Rev. Edward Gardner , SCLC Board Member

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> WSBUX, Director of the Youth Caucus, sional Democratic Party.

Gilmore, Sheriff, Greene County, Alabama Rubert Berrics, Chairman, Independent Party

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5:30 P.M. Dinner

**ANNUAL BANQUET** 

Sheraton - Dallas Hotel

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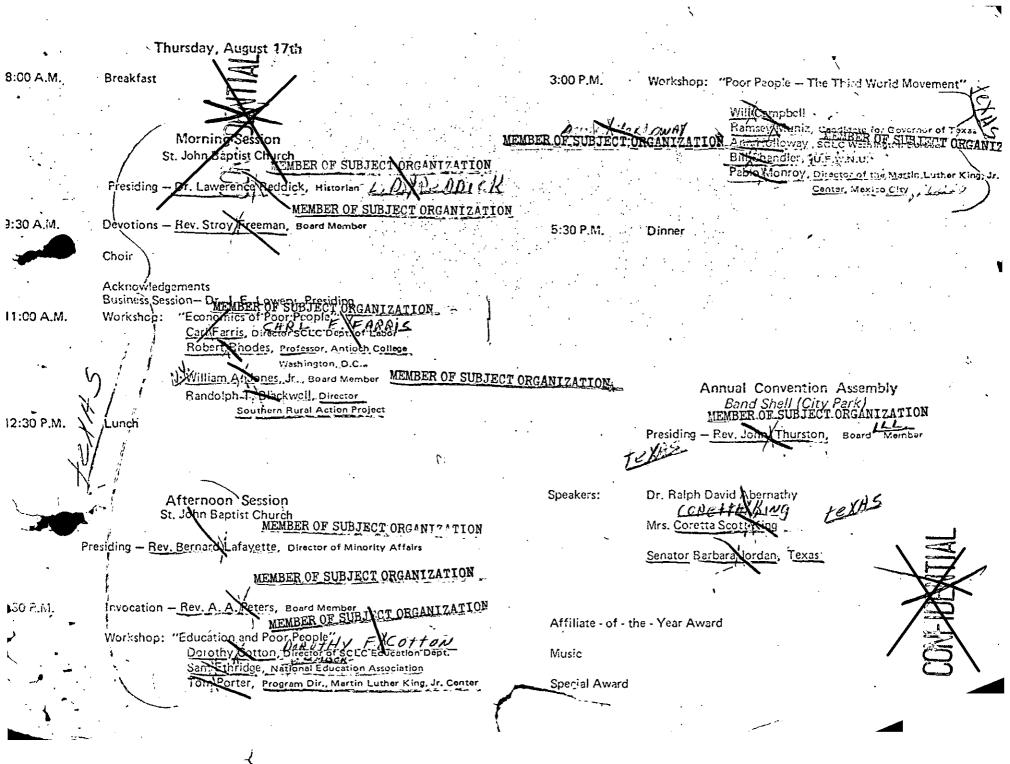
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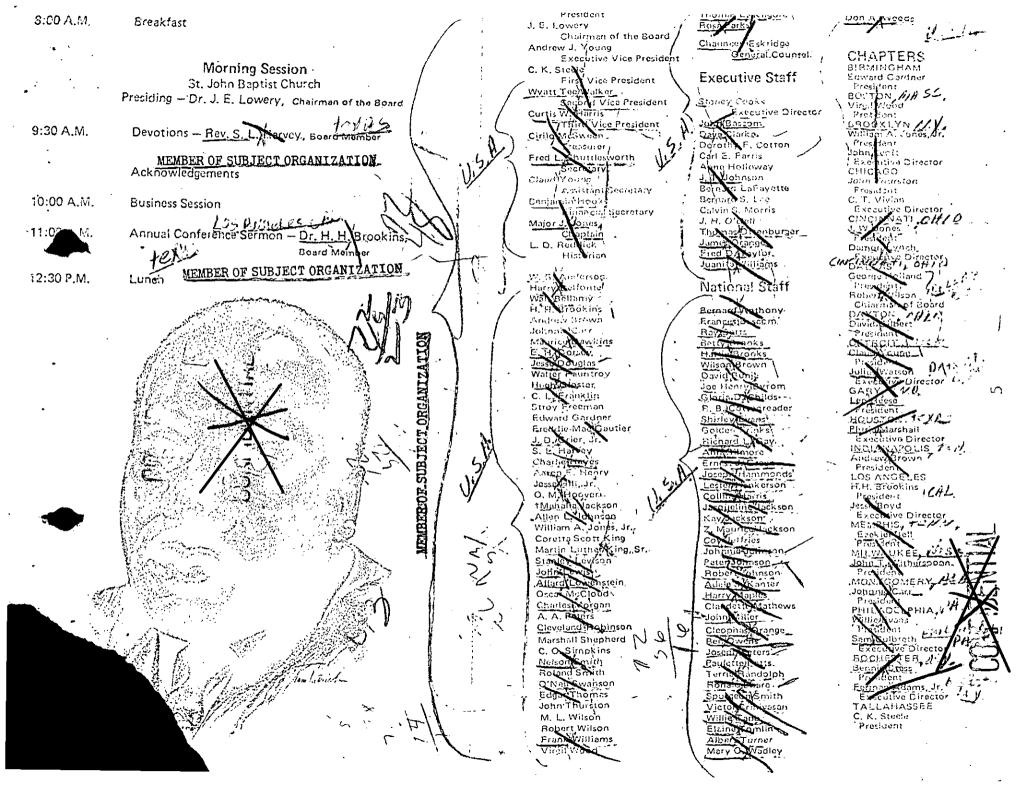
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State Representative Bobert Clark, Holmes County, Miss.

Mr. Dick Gregory

Mr. Ben Owens, SCLC

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Montgomery Improvement Association, Montgomery, Ala. 1962:

Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights, 1963: Birmingham, Alabama

Chatham County Crusade for Voters, Savannah, Georgia 1964:

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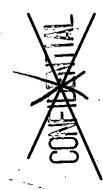
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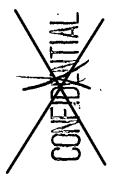
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1958	Norfolk, Va.	"The Crusade for Citizenship"
1959	Columbia, S.C.	"Social Change Through Nonviolent Direct Action"
1960	Shreveport, La.	"The Southern Struggle and the American Dilemma"
1961	Nashville, Tenn.	"The Deep South in Social Revolution"
1962	Birmingham, Ala.	"The Diversified Attack on Segregation"
1963	Richmond, Va.	"Freedom Now"
1964	Savannah, Ga.	"New Directions in the Quest for Freedom"
1965	Birmingham, Ala.	"Human Rights-Basic Issues- The Grand Alliance"
1966	Jackson, Miss.	"Human Rights: The Continuing Struggle"
1967	Atlanta, Ga:	"Where Do We Go From Here?"
1963	Memphis, Tenn.	"New Life For Poor People"
1969	Charleston, S.C.	"America's Dilemma: Billions for the Moon, Pennies for the Poor"
1970	Atlanta, Ga.	"We the People for People's Government"
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# Local Opinion Differs Whether Team Would Help or Hurt The Fight

BY EVELYN CUNNINGHAM cof The NY Courier

The possibility of an "act;" starring a Congressman and a comedian may be whipped into a full fledged production and put on the road in a dramatization that could be called "Let's Rock The Boat of Civil Rights

Following an enthusiastic reception in assort of ctry performance on 125th St and 7th Ave. Congressman Adam/Clayton Powell and Dick Gregory have both expres ed more than a passing interest in waging a nation wide civil rights fight on the same stage at the same times right

Gregory acknowledged the possibility in New York last week, saying that he would really like to barnstorm with Congressman Powell, and intimated that the two had discussed it? An aide of the Congressman agreed that Pow ell had said he would welcome a tour with Gregory

Help or Hurt Cause?

While there was difference of opinion as to whether the team could help or hurt the civil rights cause, it was generally conceded that they would attract attention to the issues Rugged individuals, both men are adroit in their use of shock appeal. Right or wrong both say what they think Neither wastes much time on subtleties

Gregory had a great deal to say last week about the shortcomings of the northern Negro. He had a little time onahis hands after being fired from the Galaxy Club in Long Island, where he was to have appeared for at week. The management of the club claimed that the comedian was late for work. Gregory charged that the management resented his decision to send his week's wages to Missis

Gregory launched his blasts at northern Negroes. regular meeting of the New York branch of the NAACP at Mother AME Zion Church As an opener, he said, "I have to fight myself to keep from hating you northern

"If the northern-Negro was really upset about what's going on down south, those boys in Washington would be

ing a lot of troubles It's frightening how this has pacified you :

The southern Negro is going to break c break clean. Then he sigoing to be in position Meantime, you ought to be helping him.

Not Ashamed. "The southern Negro is not ashamed of are of him: He's not bad mouthing you. He's that although you've been voting for a hundre still haven't been able to elect a Negro in the

dominate.

"The white man has made you ashamed of blade and he's got the missle. You in the Negro have more\_discussion; and get; more excited; than you do about the south in our own count Why, when Kennedy met those Cuban. Florida and talked about democracy and freedo

have directed those same remarks right here Gregory brushed off criticism of Congress with a shrug. "Adam Clayton Powell is a po said: "A politician will talk about anything. He Kennedy's mother?

All Astfor the NAACP, Gregory admonished offering so little support to the organization. are more Playboy Club members than there

members And I'm not worried about whi NAACP. Frankly, the NAACP doesn't have en

Meeting Picketed

The meeting was picketed by a nationalist claimed they were not picketing Gregory, but One sign read, Gregory is our man!" probably tion of a Gregory attack on the NAACP.

As Gregory left the church, he joined the ried one of the signs for a moment and joked "All right;" he shouted; "the boss is here You now....Then he added, more seriously, "No ki would you guys, do; if you woke up tomorrow

white people were gone?

Later in the week, Congressman Powell wa his brand of individualism On WNBC-TV program; he was answering criticism of his seas trips at federal expense: "As long as they he said, "I will continue to do what everyone do not intend to do any more or less than oth

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APPEARANCE OF COMEDIAN DICK GREGORY, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS RACIAL MATTERS

The "Roosevelt Torch" (a Roosevelt University student publication) of April 29, 1963, page 4, carried an article captioned, "New Civil Rights Group to Hear Gregory, RU Alums." This article reflects that "A mass meeting to mobilize Chicago churches, civic-groups, and labor organizations into an effective force for the promotion of equal rights for Negroes in the South ..." was to be held May 1, 1963, at the Baptist Tabernacle Church, 4130 South Indiana, Chicago, under the sponsorship of the newly-formed Provisional Committee for Free Elections Immediately in the South.

"The Worker" of April 28, 1963, carried an article on page 10 announcing this affair as a "Brutality Protest Meeting" and this article reflected that Reverend Ralph Hopkins and Reverend G. W. Hester of the Baptist Ministers Conference were initiators of the meeting and had issued the statement in this connection that "We shall arouse the people of the North until victory for the right to vote all over the South is won..."

"The Worker" is an East Coast communist newspaper.

Chicago T-1, Chicago T-2 and Chicago T-3, all of whom have furnished reliable information in the past, attended the mass meeting held May 1, 1963, at the Baptist Tabernacle Church, Chicago, during which meeting comedian Dick Gregory was the featured speaker.

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These sources advised on May 2, 1963, that they had the impression that various clergymen had worked together to organize this mass meeting, ad hoc in nature, to help raise funds and to stimulate Northern interest in the struggle of Negroes in the South to register and vote. Expressions of non-violence and the non-communist Character of this movement were stressed and emphasis was placed on securing, as Americans, their constitutional rights. President Kennedy was criticized for failure to use some kind of force to assist the Southern Negro in this movement, and parallels were drawn with the display of force which was made by the Federal Government in the recent Cuban crisis

Dick Gregory, Negro comedian, was the featured speaker. In his comments, Gregory was particularly critical of Northern complacency in what he described as a war in which the Negro had no weapons. President Kennedy was criticized by him for failing to employ his office and power to solve the problem by withholding or threatening to withhold Federal funds to Southern states which refuse to give Negroes their constitutional rights. The Northern Negroes were criticized for failure to contribute funds and moral support to this cause.

He stated that the Southern Negroes are willing to fight even to the extent of losing their lives for this cause while the Northern Negroes sit idly by.

These sources reported that over 400 persons were in attendance of which about 100 were white persons. Approximately \$700.00 was collected at this affair, the specific disposition of which was not mentioned; however, it was indicated it was to be used in the struggle to secure the vote for the Southern Negro.

Sources advised that approximately twelve known Communist Party (CP) members attended the mass meeting as spectators but did not take an active part at this meeting. Sources furnished no evidence of communist inception, control or influence at this affair, nor has information been received indicating formation of a permanent or continuing organization.



On May 2, 1963, details concerning this matter were furnished Captain Region I, 113th INTC Group, Chicago, Illinois.

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No investigation has been conducted concerning the captioned i dividual. However, the files of this Bureru reveal the following information. In August, 1962, a source, who has furnis ed reliable information in the past, advised that an official of the Nation of Islam (NOI) stated that Dick Gregory, a comedian, was a sympathicar of the Noi.

The November 15, 1962, issue of "Nuhemmed Speaks," a publication of the NOI, contained a news item reporting that consider Dick Gregory had joined white and Negro leaders in protecting the conviction of journalist William Worthy, sentenced to juil for visiting Cuba without the consent of the United States 5 are Department. The article indicated that Growing was schoduled to walk a picket line in Prose of the Wallorf Actoria Notel protosting the granting of an award to Attorney General Kennedy for "advancing human freedom". I the opinion of the picketers, Attorney General Kennedy "failed on many occasions to act promptly, strongly, and decisively to safeguard and extend human freedom," and listed many the alleged failures was the "current harassment of want freedom between the safeguard and content harassment of William Worthy, Deston-born newspaperman."

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GREGORY SAID.

ASKED IF HE WAS TALKING ABOUT ARKANSAS GOV. ORVAL FAUBUS, WHO CALLED THE SITUATION TRIOTIOUS AND THREATENING, GREGORY REPLIED:

WAN OUTSIDER SHOULD NOT COME IN AND PUT THE FINGER ON WHO IT IS, BUT YOU KNOW WHO IT IS." THE REV. MR. GRINAGE SAID THE MORATORIUM WAS DESIGNED TO RELIEVE TENSION IN THE CITY AND "LET THE RESPONSIBLE PEOPLE TAKE OVER."
HOWEVER, BOTH GREGORY AND THE MINISTER SAID THE DEMONSTRATIONS WOULD RESUME SHOULD RAY'S TRUCKER'S INN, WHERE GREGORY WAS ARRESTED EARLY MONDAY, REOPEN DURING THE MORATORIUM.

THE TWENTY-EIGHT DEMONSTRATORS REMAINING IN JAIL WERE RELEASED ON \$500 BOND EACH TODAY. WILLIAM HANSEN, A WHITE INTEGRATION LEADER.

ALSO RELEASED AND PLANNED TO SEE A DOCTOR ABOUT ILLNESS HE SAID HE CONTACTED IN THE JAIL. GREGORY FOUND LITTLE TO LAUGH AT IN THE JAIL AND ASKED ATTY. GEN. ROBERT KENNEDY TO INVESTIGATE. HE SAID FBI AGENTS LOOKED IT OVER LAST

THE BUT SOME THING WILL BE DONE GREGORY SAID THAT HAS BEEN CALLED TO JUST FROM THE STANDPOINT OF INTERESTED CITIZENS, SOMETHING WILL BE 2/22-TD112PES

BUT DID NOT REVEAL ANY CONCLUSIONS.

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# UNITED STATES DÉPARTMENT OF JUSTICI

### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Detroit, Michigan May 20, 1964

Re: Dick Gregory,

Appearance at Annual Meeting, Urban League of Flint, Michigan,

5/18/64

According to an article appearing in the May 19, 1964 edition of the "Flint Journal" newspaper, which serves an area covering an approximate population of 500,000 people, which article was written by Alan R. Wilhelm of the "Flint Journal" staff, the following information in part was reported:

Negro comedicate Dick Gregory declared Monday night, speaking to more than 2,000 persons at the annual meeting of the Urban League of Flint, Michigan, that America is courting disaster by not heeding the voices in the streets and the lessons of history. He characterized himself as a soldier, not a general, in "America's greatest social revolution." He said, "We can lose America this summer" and the "greatest thing about this revolution is that it is not black against white, or white against black but right against wrong."

Gregory had harsh words for Negroes who benefit from the civil rights movement without mixing in it themselves. Among other targets of his verbal blasts were segregated churches and United States Senators. He said the senators are conducting a "stall-in" of their own on civil rights legislation.

On charges of Communist participation in the civil rights movement, Gregory said that if the FBI knows who they are, it should reveal their names and, "We'll get rid of them ourselves." Otherwise, he continued,

Re: Dick Gregory

"Communists are getting more protection than we are. If they couldn't keep Communists from stealing the A-Bomb and H-Bomb, how . . . are we going to stop them from buying a \$2.50 membership," he asked.

He also said, "The white man asks us about the Black Muslims but we never ask him about the Ku Klux Klan.

"Martin Luther King said we should die without lifting a hand, and they called him a nigger and a Communist. We never hear Malcolm X (former Black Muslim spokesman) called anything but Malcolm X."

He asked why newspapers ran pictures of debris left after last summer's "march for jobs and freedom" in Washington, D. C., when, "they don't show the trash left from a Rose Bowl game."

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FEDERAL EUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION 1964 BIA003 1151P EDT MAY 7 64 CTAMFSTERN UNION CT CA546 PD CHICAGO ILL 7 920P CST J EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR OF FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONS Trotter Dick gregory Miss Holmer WASHDC DEAR MR HOOVER YOU HAVE CREATED SEVERAL MAJOR DISTORTIONS BY YOUR RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THERE ARE COMMUNISTS CONNECTED WITH THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN AMERICA. 🚅 CHALLENGE YOU TO TELL THE PUBLIC WHO THESE COMMUNISTS ARE AND WHERE THEY ARE. IS YOUR DUTY TO CLEAR UP THE QUESTIONS YOUNXOUR BELF HAVE CREATED. IN THE FIRST PLACE, YOUR STATEMENT WAS MADE DURING A SECRET HEARING HELD JANUARY 29 1964. HOWEVER, IT WAS NOT RELEASED UNTIL RECENTLY. I FEEL THAT THERELEASE OF YOUR, STATEMENT, WAS DELIBERATELY HELD UP SO FT HEAT OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS DEBATE FOR POLITICAL ADVANTEGES NEXT. BY NOT SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFYING THE COMMUNIST MR. MOHR FOR THE DIRECTOR

YOU HAVE CAST A SHADOW ON THE SINCERE EFFORTS OF EVERYONE WHO IS WORKING IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT. NO MAN SHOULD HAVE THIS RIGHT.

FOR THESE REASONS, I FEEL IT IS MY DUTY TO DEMAND THAT YOU EITHER TELL WHO THESE COMMUNISTS ARE OR ELSE RETRACT YOUR STATEMENT. SINCERELY YOURS

DICK GREGORY

ec! Mr. De Loach

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U.S DEPT OF JUSTICE

Mr. Sullivap Called Mr. Rachner, & Mr. Hodges Routed per instructions

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MemorandumTO Mr. DeLoach D. C. Morrell SUBJECT: DICK-GREGORY WELL-KNOWN NEGRO COMEDIAN by the Bureau.

DATE: 5/11/64

Conrad Sullivan Tavel Trotter Tele. Room Holmes

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Captioned individual sent a telegram from Chicago to the Director stating that the Director "created several major distortions" by his recent announcement that there were communists connected with the civil rights movement in America. He challenged the Director to identify the communists. He feels the release of the Director's statement, made January 29, 1964, was deliberately held up so it could be put out during the heat of the civil rights debate. He states that the Director by failing to identify the communists has cast a shadow on the sincere efforts of everyone working in the civil rights movement. He demands that the Director identify the communists or retract his statement.

Gregory is the well-known Negro entertainer and comedian who has been active in civil rights sit-ins and other demonstrations. He has come to the Bureau's attention on numerous occasions but has not been investigated

# OBSERVATION:

This communication is strictly a protest. Gregory does not furnish an address and obviously does not expect an answer. He has been active in the integration movement and in view of his strong opinions, no rational explanation would satisfy him.

# RECOMMENDATION:

reply.

That correspondent's communication not be dignified with a EX-103

1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure

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CHICAGO--COMEDIAN DICK GREGORY TODAY CHALLENGED J. EDGAR HOOVER THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT HOOVER BELIEVES TO TO NAME ANY MEMBERS OF COMMUNISTS. IN A TELEGRAM TO THE FBI CHIEF, GREGORY CHARGED THAT HOOVER CREATED SEVERAL MAJOR DISTORTIONS" BY HIS RECENT STATEMENT THAT THERE ARE COMMUNISTS AFFILIATED WITH THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES. "I CHALLENGE YOU TO TELL THE PUBLIC WHO THESE COMMUNISTS ARE,
AND WHERE THEY ARE, "GREGORY SAID.
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DEBATE FOR POLITICAL ADVANTAGES. GREGORY SAID.

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MA Janes to DELOACH Memo JMM Pru 5-12.64

WASHINGTON CAPITAL NEWS SERVICE

UNITED STATES G Mohr Casper lemorandum Callahan Contad DeLoack Evans Mr. DeLoach DATE: 5-12-64 M. Allydi Holmes b7C SUBJECT: RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY ALSO KNOWN AS DICK GREGORY BACKGROUND: In connection with a United Press International wire release of May 8th in which comedian Dick Gregory challenged the Director to name the communists in the civil rights movement, Mr. Tolson has asked, "What do our files show on Dick Gregory?" INFORMATION IN BUREAU FILES: Dick Gregory was born on October 12, 1932, at St. Louis, Missouri. According to "Current Biography 1962" it was also revealed he was educated in the grammar schools in that city, spent two years in the U.S. Army and then returned to Southern Illinois University where he had been a track star. He dropped out of this institution-in 1956 because of low grades. He drifted to Chicago where he worked for the U.S. Post Office but was fired for impersonating his colleagues and purposely misdirecting mail. After a series of odd jobs, some of them in the entertainment field, he finally became a success as a comedian in January, 1961, while working at the Chicago's-Playboy Club. He mostly plays, the night club circuit and is allegedly known as the "Negro Mort Sahl." A name check was conducted for the Atomic Energy Commission in That agency was informed that Gregory had never been April, 1963, on Dick Gregory. the subject of an FBI investigation. In August, 1962, an official of the Nation of Islam allegedly stated that Dick Gregory was a sympathizer of the NOI. (25-330971-6121) 1 JUN 4 1964 CH CRIME PASALCH The November 15, 1962, issue of "Muhammed Speaks," a publication of the NOI, contained a news item reporting that comedian Dick Gregory had joined white and Negro leaders in protesting the conviction of journalist William Worthy, sentenced to jail for visiting Cuba without the consent of the United States State Department. The had article indicated that Gregory was scheduled to walk a picket line in front of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel protesting the granting of an award to Attorney General Kennedy for "advancing human freedom." In the opinion of the picketers, Attorney General Kennedy "failed on many occasions to act promptly, strongly, and decisively to safeguard and extend human freedom," and listed among the alleged failures was the "current harassment of William Worthy, Boston-born newspaperman." (105-20110-A) De Loach, 1 - Mr. Rosen (Continued next page) 1 - Mr. Sullivan JMM:par (6)

M. A. Jones to DeLoach Memo RE: Richard Claxton Gregory

On 2-21-64, Attorney General Robert Kennedy, through his secretary, requested the Bureau to interview Dick Gregory who had been incarcerated with others from February 17 to 21, 1964, at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, in connection with an attempt to integrate a restaurant at Pine Bluff. Gregory had called the Attorney General and complained to him about conditions in the Pine Bluff jail. Gregory was subsequently interviewed and a signed statement taken dated 2-21-64 the complained of a white prisoner who had allegedly been beaten by prison authorities. Gregory also complained an alleged brutality against himself in that he had been placed in solitary confinement, had no water in the cell and had nothing to drink for two days. He stated he was fed one sandwich a day. He also complained he had been unable to contact his lawyer. It developed that Gregory wanted to be imprisoned as the sheriff who arrested him noted that Gregory had sufficient funds to be released on bond and was encouraged to do so by the sheriff so the sheriff would not have to place him in jail. Copies of our reports were made available to the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, the last one being 3-17-64. (44-246.30)

Gregory was arrested by the Birmingham Police Department on 5-6-63 in connection with a racial demonstration. He had been beaten while confined was subsequently released on 5-9-63 to the effect he had been beaten while confined to the Birmingham City Jail. The Chief Warden of the jail stated that Gregory was considered a "model prisoner." Gregory made no complaint of the food or of his treatment to any jail official while a prisoner. Representatives of the press who attended Gregory's press conference immediately after his release stated that they observed no injuries on his person and that Gregory had been confused when questioned concerning which arm he claimed was beaten. Airport attendants at Birmingham who observed Gregory departing on 5-9-63 stated he appeared physically normal in all respects; no injuries were noted and he was in jovial spirits. The United States Attorney at Birmingham expressed views that the facts of the civil rights case were without prosecutive merit. (44 - 22002)

There are numerous other references to Dick Gregory in Bureau files. However, they deal principally with his involvement in racial demonstrations. Many times it appears he purposely submits himself to arrest and jail many times arriving on the scene of the disturbance after police have taken away initial demonstrators. His satements frequently suggest violence on the part of the demonstrators. In April, 1964, in a speech to approximately 450 attending racial demonstrations in Gary, Indiana, Gregory urged that if churches would not cooperate in making space available for "freedom day classes" racial demonstrators should "kick down the doors of the churches."

# RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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	NBC affiliate in Honolulu, on a confidential basis made	b7C
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	in possession of lis a dub of the tape referred to in	
	the Accordated Press dispatch, and it was not considered	
	advisable to make any further inquiry concerning it. I am,	
	however, for the information of the Jackson Office sending a dub of the tape to that office AMSD as an enclosure with	
	this communication for whatever value it may possess.	-
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	of Police RAYFIELD of Jackson had made a statement before a public meeting to the effect that he had hired a Negro to	2
	kill	
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	It is not known whether this is a duplicate of a tape already	**
	in possession of the Jackson Office, and for that reason it	
	is being sent to Jackson for whatever value it may possess.	

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Since GREGORY, an irresponsible-type individual, has been making reckless statements to the press, some of which concern the FBI, it is considered advisable to furnish a copy of this communication to the other offices listed herein, which have had some contact with GREGORY. GREGORY has been appearing at the Forbidden City, which is essentially a "striptease joint" in Honolulu, where he has reportedly been paid \$14,000 for a 12-day stand, according to newspaper accounts. He is scheduled to depart shortly for the mainland.

No further action in this matter is contemplated by Honolulu.

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## GENERAL INVESTIGAT E DIVISION

The tape recording referred to in attached contains generalizations by previo b7C who is mentally unbalanced. ly interviewed concerning missing civil rights workers and had no information of value. Letter referred to by Gregory written by Washington, D. C., a former mental patient who on interview stated had no knowledge of case except from news media. Gregory interviewed at San Francisco, Calif., 7/17/64, at which time he made available above letter and copy of above tape. We have no information regarding Gregory or any Negro group furnishing the FBI with information regarding the Klan. In view of Gregory's background, his comments should not be dignified by contacting him which would serve no useful purpose.

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11:00 PM CDST URGENT 8-13-64 DHM

TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO

ATTENTION: CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION

(157 - 347)

DICK GREGORY: MISCELLANEOUS DASH INFORMATION CONCERNING ON AUGUST THIRTEEN INSTANT NEWS CONFERENCE HELD BY DICK

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GREGORY, NEGRO COMEDIAN AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. IN HIS

REMARKS, GREGORY SAID THAT HE TURNED OVER LETTER LISTING

LOCATION OF THREE BODIES OF CIVIL RIGHTS WORKERS IN MISSISSIPPI TO FBI. GREGORY COMMENTED FBI CLAIMED THAT WRITER OF LETTER

WAS A MENTAL PATIENT. GREGORY SAID HE KNOWS FOR FACT THAT

THREE DAYS AFTER CIVIL RIGHTS WORKERS WERE MISSING, THE GOVERNOR

WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KILLINGS. GREGORY SAID CHOTE

WHY DID THE FBI WAIT THREE WEEKS AFTER KNOWING WHERE THE BODIES REC 20/00-4404

WERE BEFORE THEY UNCOVERED THEM QUESTAL CONCERNING ARRESTS OF THE PERPETRATORS GREGORY SAID

OF MISSISSIPPI, FBI AND NO DOUBT PRESIDENT OF THE U.S. KNEW

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HAVE A TREMENDOUS DISTRUST FOR THE FBI

Mr. Mohr. Mr. Casper. Mr. Callaban. Mr. Cenrad. Mr. Dat at Mr. Evans.

Mr. Tolson Mr. Belmontk

Mr. Gale Mr. Rosen Mr. Sullivan

Mr. Tavel. Mr. Trotter. Tele. Room.

Miss Holmes Miss Gandy.

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FROM THE WAY THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION WAS HANDLED AND THAT IS WHY WHEN I TURNED THE LETTER OVER AND THE TAPES I KEPT A DUPLICATE OF EACH BECAUSE OF THEIR PAST RECORD. PERSONALLY. I FEEL THERE SHOULD BE A CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION ON J. EDGAR HOOVER AND THE FBI IN GENERAL. THEY WORKING IN TOO MUCH SECRECY. THE COMMUNIST STEAL ANYTHING OUT OF THIS COUNTRY THEY WANT. THE DOPE PUSHERS GET AS MUCH DOPE IN AND OUT OF HERE AS THEY WANT AND PERSONALLY I JUST DON'T HAVE THAT MUCH FAITH IN THE FBI, AND I THINK AMERICANS IN GENERAL SHOULD DEMAND AN INVESTIGATION OF THE FBI AND J. EDGAR HOOVER PARTICULARLY. UNQUOTE. DURING THE QUESTIONING PERIOD BY THE REPORTERS, GREGORY ATTEMPTED TO EXPLAIN INFORMATION WHICH HE FURNISHED TO THE FBI AND INFORMATION HE CLAIMED EVENTUALLY LEAD TO THE FINDING OF THE BODIES OF THE THREE CIVIL RIGHTS WORKERS. GREGORY CLAIMED THAT THE LETTER HE TURNED OVER TO THE FBI CONTAINED MORE PRECISE INFORMATION REGARDING TO LOCATION OF THE BODIES AND HE LEFT THIS MATTER FOR THE FBI TO CONTACT THE WRITER OF THE LETTER FOR THE DETAILED INFORMATION. GREGORY PAGE THREE

STATED QUETE WE"QUARTE KNOW DEFINITELY FIVE PEOPLE WERE INVOLVED REGARDING THE KILLINGS.

GREGORY SAID THAT HE FEELS POLITICS HAS ENTERED.

INTO THIS CASE FROM THE PRESIDENT ON DOWN. GREGORY STATED

THAT KNOWING HOW THE FBI WORKS DOWN SOUTH AND HOW THE

PEOPLE REACT IN THE SOUTH IT WOULD HAVE BEEN VERY EASY TO HAVE

SENT IN FEDERAL TROOPS.

GREGORY CLAIMS THAT QUOTE WE "UNQUOTE HAVE PLACED THIRTY
PEOPLE IN THE KKK TO GATHER INFORMATION AND THAT WHAT INFORMATION
QUOTE WE "UNQUOTE GATHER, QUOTE" WE "UNQUOTE TURN OVER TO THE FBI.

GREGORY STATED THAT HE INTENDS GOING TO MISSISSIPPI QUOTE:

GREGORY STATED THAT THE FBI DID NOT ACKNOWLEDGE HIS LETTER
BUT CONTACTED HIM SUCTE A COUPLE OF DAYS LATER HINGHOFF AND ADVISED
HIM THAT A MENTAL PATIENT WROTE THE LETTER.

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SHERIFF RAINEY HAD THREATENED HIS LIFE. THIS TAPE IS BELIEVED IDENTICAL WITH THE TAPE FORWARDED TO JACKSON OFFICE BY HOHOLULU ALONG WITH AIRTEL DATED AUGUST SIX LAST TO THE BUREAU AND JACKSON.

REPORTERS POINTED OUT TO GREGORY THAT LETTER HE REFERS TO WAS NONSPECIFIC AS TO LOCATION OF BODIES AND THEREFORE FBI MUST HAVE HAD OTHER SOURCE AS THEY WENT TO A SPECIFIC SPOT DUG TWENTY FEET AND FOUND THE BODIES.

NEWS MEDIA CHICAGO GIVING VERY LITTLE NEWS COVERAGE TO

GREGORY'S COMMENTS.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY
AMED COPY SENT TO JACKSON.

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FBI WASH DC

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Belmont UNITED STATES ( Callahan morandum TO :Mr. Evans. DATE: 9-1-64 Trotter Tele. Room A. B. Edd **FROM** Holmes Gandy SUBJECT: DICK GREGORY COMEDIAN COMMENTS ON STEVE ALLEN TV SHOW CHANNEL 9, 8-31-64 FBI employee, night shift, Teletype Unit, Files and Communications Division, telephoned Extra Duty Supervisor William C. Maupai from his home at 12:15 A.M. 9-1-64 and furnished the following information. He said that the Negro comedian, Dick Gregory, was talking about his trip to the south recently and jokingly referred to the FBI tapping his phone. He said it was good to know somebody was taking his messages while he was away from home. Subsequently in his comments he spoke of the three "freedom fighters" who were murdered and his own experiences in the south. The above reference to the FBI was made in a jocular manner, not to be taken seriously. | wanted to advise/ that the comment was made and when called the comments were finished. n Bureau) indices disclose Gregory is the subject of file 100-440428, which reveals that he is unreliable, an agitator and a trouble maker. He has made defamatory and untruthful remarks about the Director and the FBI in the past. ACTION In view of the poor character of this man it seems inadvisable to contact him concerning his remarks. - Mr. Tavel 1 - Mr. Evans 1 - Mr. Eddy Crime Records 1 - Mr st Maúpai - Mr. Rosen l - Mr. Süllivan 1 - Mr. Belmont \* ON TELEVISION ? WCM: 1hm olyw SEP 10 1964 100-440423 56SEP 151964 PERS. KEC. UNIT

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1134 PM URGENT 9-16-64 JFD

TO DIRECTOR

FROM DETROIT (157-762) 1F

PERFORMANCE OF COMEDIAN DICK GREGORY AT BATTLE CREEK, MICH.

FOR BENEFIT OF CORE AND NAACP, NINE SIXTEEN SIXTYFOUR.

ATTENTION CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION. CAPTIONED APPEARANCE HELD

THIS DATE WITHOUT INCIDENT.

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Mr. Tolson Mr. Belmont Mr. Mohr\_\_\_

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Mr. Callahan Mr. Conrad Mr. DeLoach

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# UNCED STATES DEPARTMENT OF USTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Detroit, Michigan September 17, 1964

Re: Performance of
Comedian Dick Gregory
and Company, at Battle Creek,
Michigan, for Benefit of
Core and National Association
For The Advancement of Colored
People (NAACP)
September 16, 1964

The following information was furnished by Confidential informant, DE T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Dick Gregory, Comedian, sponsored by Core and NAACP in Battle Creek, arrived in Battle Creek by plane approximately 3:15 P.M., on September 16, 1964, and held a brief press conference at the Holiday Inn. He discussed his own work and made no political or racial comment at this time. Thereafter, about 4:30 P.M., he attended a reception in his honor at the Pacific Club in Kalamazoo, returning to Battle Creek thereafter.

The performance at the W. K. Kellogg Auditorium, Battle Creek, Michigan, which seats 2,441, was attended by approximately 1,050 persons of whom about one half were white. It started at 8:00 P. M. There were large vacant areas in the audience on the ground floor and the balcony was sparsely occupied. Gregory delayed his appearance at the auditonium until approximately 9:20 P. M., and folk singer, Lengthandler, assisted by a small local band carried on alone until the 15 minute intermission at 9:05 P. M.

The Gregory program appeared rambling and unorganized. He spoke rapidly with a microphone and was at times impossible to understand because of his style of delivery. He lampooned Senator Goldwater (for whom he expressed personal disfavor) and President Johnson, impartially. He commented several times that the Federal Bureau of Investigation had not made effective use

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September 16, 1964

of the information (letter and tapes) which he had furnished to it in the Philadelphia, Mississippi murder cases. He commented also that the lack of arrests in that case was undoubtedly due to political consideration on the part of President Johnson. He implied that the latter did not want to arrest law enforcement officers in Mississippi (whom Gregory believed guilty) because this might cause disorder and necessitate the use of Federal troops in an election year.

Gregory spent some time advertising his forthcoming (October 25, sales date) "Nigger" and his album of recordings with which he hopes to recoup \$25,000.00 "reward money", borrowed by him from the publishers of "Playboy" magazine.

In a question and answer period following his performance, Gregory characterized the Harlem and Philadelphia riots as "protests", rather than unlawful violence, and urged his listeners to defy and oppose police, "who try to enforce bad laws". The audience generally appeared less receptive to Gregory than to the earlier performance of Len Chandler. There was no disorder following the program which ended about 10:35 p.M., and there was none at the reception at the Holliday Inn, Battle Creek, following the performance.

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Lieutenant Officer in Charge of the Night Shift, Battle Creek Police Department, stated at 11:30 P.M., September 16, 1964, that there had been no racial incidents reported anywhere in Battle Creek that evening and extra duty police officers had been released.

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reliably contacted in Negro matters generally.	ь6 ь7с ь7г
DE T-2 is Federal Center, Battle Creek, Mich., who is widely acquainted in the Negro community and who is believed to be reliable.	
Information from above informants was furnished promptly to COP EARLE B. ROBERTS, Battle Creek PD, which has a primary responsibility in this matter in Battle Creek, Mich.	
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This matter will be closely followed and the Bureau will be promptly advised in the event any violence or racial incidents should result.	
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### UN ED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JSTICE

#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Detroit, Michigan September 14, 1964

Performance of Comedian Dick Gregory and Company at Battle Creek, Michigan, for Benefit of CORE and NAACP, September 16, 1964

On September 9, 1964, the "Enquirer & News", a Battle Creek, Michigan, newspaper, carried an article announcing that the local chapters of Congress on Racial Equality (CORE) and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) are sponsoring a benefit show to be known as "Salute to Freedom" at the W.K. Kellogg Auditorium, Battle Creek, Michigan, on the evening of September 16, 1964. The featured performers will be Dick Gregory, nationally known Negro comedian, and Len Chandler, Negro folk singer. Both performers are known for their active role in the Civil Rights struggle as spokesmen for the Negro. Tickets are being sold at \$2.50 each. Benefits to go principally to the local chapters of CORE and the NAACP.

Mr. Gregory and his co-star are expected to arrive by airplane at Kalamazoo Airport, Kalamazoo, Michigan, at 6:00 a.m. on September 16, 1964. A luncheon in his honor will be given in Kalamazoo. He and Chandler will appear at the W.K. Kellogg Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. as scheduled and put on the show after which a reception for them and Battle Creek community leaders and CORE and NAACP officials is being held by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation in Battle Creek.

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has advised that Dick Gregory recently announced that he is contributing 30 days of entertainment time from September 14, 1964, to October 14, 1964, in behalf of CORE and the Negro cause on a national basis. Local chapters of CORE were invited to submit applications and the Battle Creek chapter did so without much hope of acceptance because of the small number of CORE members (160 estimated) and the relatively small size of the city; however, their application was one of those accepted. Tickets have been moving fairly well in spite of a late start in advertising.

Chief Roberts states that he is naturally apprehensive in a gathering of this sort in that "outsiders" from other Michigan cities might come to Battle Creek to stir up some type of trouble. He said that he has received no positive indication locally from informants and sources available to him that activity is planned or anticipated, and he has been assured by that CORE has not advertised the performance outside of Battle Creek and Calhoun County. He stated that a couple of rumors to the effect that a disturbance might result have been carefully run down and resolved by his staff and found to come from irresponsible sources. Nevertheless, Chief Roberts plans to have adequate and courteous police officers on hand to cope with any foreseeable emergency.

On September 10, 1964, Mr. Clark Valentine, Negro City Commissioner, Battle Creek, advised that he has heard nothing to indicate that trouble of any kind is being planned by any Negro group in Battle Creek for September 16, 1964.

On September 11, 1964, confidential informant DE T-1, who is known to be reliable, advised that the only information he has heard was the remark in a Negro barber shop within the past few days that "kids" have been holding "secret meetings". The identities of these "kids" were unknown to informant but are believed by him to be a group of from 10 to 20 youths ranging in age from 16 to 19 who are

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principally known as "hotrodders". They have been meeting in Battle Creek during the summer months after roller skating on Thursday nights at a rink between Marshall and Battle Creek, Michigan. Their activity is not known to be linked to the appearance of Dick Gregory in Battle Creek, however, and no special plans for September 16, 1964, on their part are indicated.

On September 11, 1964, DE T-2, a confidential informant widely acquainted in the Negro community of Battle Creek who is believed reliable, advised that while there does exist a dissident group of young Negro males whose principal activity is driving around the Negro sections of Battle Creek at late hours, usually on Thursday night, inviting police to stop them for traffic violations, there is no indication that these persons are linked in any way to CORE or NAACP or that they plan any demonstration in Battle Creek on Wednesday, September 16, 1964, in connection with the appearance in the city of Dick Gregory:

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#### CORRELATION SUMMARY

Main File No: 100-440423

See Also: 44-22002

Date: October 19, 1964

44-24630

Subject: Dick Gregory

Date Searched: 4/24/64

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All logical variations of subject's name and aliases were searched and identical references were found as:

SUMMARY

Dick Gregory Dick C. Gregory Richard Claxton Gregory

**Analyst** 

This is a summary of information obtained from a review of all "see" references to the subject in Bureau files under the names and aliases listed above. All references under the above names containing data identical with the subject have been included except any indicated at the end of this summary under the heading REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY.

This summary is designed to furnish a synopsis of the information set out in each reference. In many cases the original serial will contain the information in much more detail.

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### ABBREVIATIONS

Add. info	Additional information appearing in this reference which pertains to Dick Gregory may be found in the main file or elsewhere in this summary.
\$NCC	Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee

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The "Chicago Daily News" for 8/13/62 started a series entitled "I was a Black Muslim" by Reporter Ben Holman.

CG-6119-S\* related on 8/14/62 that Minister Malcolm (X Little of Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 7, NYC) told Elijah Muhammad he had received a call from the comedian in Detroit by the name of Dick Gregory who is a sympathizer of ours" who wanted to know if we wanted to answer the story in the "Daily News" about us. Gregory then talked to the "devil" at the "Daily News" who said they would be willing to print an answer.

It was noted that Gregory was a Negro comedian who had appeared at Negro affairs including some NAACP dinners and Nation of Islam (25-330971) affairs.

The 11/15/62 issue of "Muhammed Speaks,"a publication of the Nation of Islam, contained a news item reporting that comedian Dick Gregory had joined white and Negro leaders in protesting the conviction of journalist William Worthy, Boston-born newspaperman sentenced to jail for visiting Cuba without the consent of the Department of State. The article indicated that Gregory was scheduled to walk a picket line in front of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, NYC, protesting the granting of an award to AG Kennedy for "advancing human freedom." In the opinion of the picketers, AG Kennedy "failed on many occasions to act promptly, strongly, and decisively to safeguard and extend human freedom."

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62-5-15422 p.1 (1) SI 105-20110-A "Muhammad Speaks" (5) 11/15/62 page 3 Memphis Teletype dated 11/21/62 disclosed that

(first name not given) left Oxford, Miss., on this date in company of US Marshals. His destination was Chicago and on arrival there he was to visit for a short period of time with Dick Gregory, 1451 East 55th St., Chicago. Marshals did not know the purpose of this visit.

157-401-1513 p.2 (13)

The Washington Capital News Service on 1/23/63 reported that comedian Dick Gregory would arrive at Washington National Airport at 1:37 PM on a Delta Flight from Jackson, Miss. and Atlanta; he had seen James Meredith that morning and might have a statement.

157-401-A Washington Capital News (13) Service 1/23/63

The 2/11/63 issue of the "Press Scimitar," daily newspaper of Memphis, Tenn., reported that Dick Gregory, Negro comedian of Chicago, arrived in Memphis aboard a chartered plane on the above date. The claimed that local authorities had cut off Federal surplus food to Negroes in Clarksdale and Greenwood, Miss., because the Negroes were pushing a voter registration drive there. Gregory told a reporter he was asked to spearhead a drive to collect food in the Chicago area to send to Negroes in Mississippi. He was escorting 14,000 pounds of food stuff on the plane and claimed to have paid the charter bill from his own funds.

Gregory was met in Memphis by a group of Negroes from Clarksdale headed by Aaron Henry, President of the Mississippi NAACP. Gregory said the food would be distributed by members of the SNCC.

The above paper added that Reporter Bill E. Burk said that administrators of the Federal Commodity Program in Leflore and Sunflower Counties had said there was no truth to Gregory's charges.

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CG-6119-S\* advised on 2/27/63 that Dick Gregory, the Negro comic, had contacted Malcolm K. Little (100-399321) and advised him that he planned to record 37,000 copies of a speech he made to raise money to buy food for people in Mississippi. Gregory wanted a commitment from Little of how many records the Muslims would take. Little said he would answer this in a few days.

Lt. Bureau of Special Services, NYC PD, advised that Gregory spoke at a rally held at 7th Ave., and 125th St. in Harlem, NY, on 3/23/63 to gain support for Negroes in Mississippi and a collection of \$266 was taken up for their relief.

The 3/31/63 edition of "The Worker" contained an article on page 12 relative to the above mentioned Harlem rally on 3/23/63 and stated that Gregory was one of the speakers.

Add. info. according to "Newsweek" 3/11/63.

100-399321-60 p.22,23,30,31 (4) SI par. 2 100-399321-56 encl.p.1 (4)

The "NY Post" of 3/29/63 carried an article on page 85 entitled "Wilkins on Powell's Attack: He's Been Hurt by His Critics" by Dorothy Schiff. The article stated that NAACP Executive Secretary, Roy Wilkins, had said that Adam Clayton Powell's "boycott" of the NAACP was the action of a man stung by criticism and striking back in the wrong direction. Wilkins stated that last nights comedy was supplied by Dick Gregory, who told the audience (place not given): "Now you know what NAACP means. Never Annoy Adam Clayton Powell."

25-330971-A "NY Post" 3/29/63

Aaron E. Henry, President of the Mississippi Chapter of the NAACP, advised that he was present at the Centennial Baptist Church, Clarksdale, Miss. (44-21693), during a meeting on 4/2/63 at which the Negro commedian Dick Gregory spoke. He said a tear gas bomb was thrown into the church through a window during the meeting but did not go off since the pin had not been pulled. Henry understood that the object was in the possession of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Clarksdale. who had picked it up and thrown it out the window of the church. \_\_\_\_\_\_ then went outside and retrieved the object.

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Other Negroes who attended the above meeting and newsmen who were covering the meeting advised of seeing the object enter the window and stated that Gregory went outside with \_\_\_\_\_\_ to get the object. It was also reported that the object was a piece of an old rubber tire. Som of the newsmen did not feel that \_\_\_\_\_ was gone long enough to get the object and that the bomb was a "plant." (Details set out)

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The "Chicago Sun Times," Chicago, III., for 4/5/63, page 56, carried a column entitled "Kup's Column" by Irving Kupcinet which stated the following:

Much as we admire Dick Gregory and his courageous stand in Greenwood, Miss., we're disappointed over some of his rash statements. (The Black Muslims now have "adopted" Gregory.)

25-330971-A "Chicago Sun Times" 4/5/63

Clarksdale, Niss.)

The following references on Dick Gregory appear in the file captioned "Unsubs; Greenwood, Niss., PD, et al. Victims Civil Rights - Election Laws," 44-21661. Gregory had been quite prominent in the demonstrations in Greenwood and Clarksdale, Miss., during the first part of April, 1963. He spoke at a meeting at the Wesley Methodist Church in Greenwood on 4/1/64 and on 4/2/64 was the principal speaker at a meeting held in the Centennial Baptist Church in Clarksdale. Gregory spent considerable time at the Headquarters of the SNCC in Greenwood and led groups of Negro marchers through the streets.

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Gregory advised a Departmental Attorney that the Mayor of Clarksdale had stated that FBI Agents were drunk on the evening of 4/2/63, but that he knew this allegation was false. Aaron Henry, NAACP leader in Clarksdale, advised that Gregory was contacted by Clarksdale City Commissioner Hudson Bell rather than the Mayor. Bell and the Mayor both denied making the above statement and said they had never heard of Agents being drunk in Clarksdale.

Gregory was observed on the streets of Greenwood as late as 4/5/63. A group photograph of Gregory was enclosed.

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advised of a meeting on 4/26/63 in the office of

(location not given), which was attended by
and others to discuss the forthcoming HCUA
hearings. mentioned that he had received a letter from Dick
Gregory, the Negro entertainer, concerning his legal problems connected
with his integration activities.

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CG-5824-S\* advised that according to information furnished by Claude Lightfoot, a leading spokesman for the CP of Chicago, on 4/16/63, the Negro community in Chicago was planning to hold a broad gathering on 5/1/63 at the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Chicago. Lightfoot wanted William L. Patterson in NYC to be advised of the above and requested that he get in touch with Dick Gregory. Lightfoot felt it was very desirable to get Gregory involved in this 5/1/63 function but that contact with him should be made on a local level by someone like Patterson in NY who was apparently acquainted with Gregory.

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The Phoenix Office advised on 5/6/63 that a check had been made with available sources close to Elijah Muhammad, and no information was available indicating Dick Gregory had been in contact with Muhammad or indicating that the Nation of Islam (25-330971) had endeavored to assist Gregory in his efforts to raise funds for Negroes in Mississippi.

The "People's World" for 5/25/63, page 12, carried an article entitled "Gregory on Parade" which stated that Negro comic Dick Gregory had stated in San Francisco that he was not sure whether he would march in the coming Sunday's big parade for justice in Alabama. Gregory who was in San Francisco for a night club appearance and was helping with the Sunday observance, said he had been arrested so many times for parading without a permit that he dich't think he knew how to parade with one. Gregory filled Mayor George Christopher's office with laughter repeatedly with his comments on the racial situation in San Francisco. His statements were made in the presence of Negro ministers, labor leaders and newsmen.

Bureau Nemo dated 6/1/63 revealed that Roy Wilkins, Executive Secretary of the NAACP, had announced in Jackson, Miss., that Dick Gregory, Negro comedian, was scheduled to arrive at Jackson on 6/2/63.

The New Orleans Office advised that Negro comedian Dick Gregory arrived in Jackson, Miss., on 6/3/63, ostensibly to lead racial demonstrations in the city. According to a source of the New Orleans Office, Gregory had received word that his son died that morning in Chicago and current information indicated that Gregory planned to leave Jackson for Chicago that afternoon.

Bureau memo dated 6/10/63 disclosed that comedian Dick Gregory attended a rally on 6/7/63 at Jackson, Miss. At a previously scheduled meeting of the same group of colored people in Jackson, when it was announced that Gregory would not be there in view of the death of his young son, so few turned out for the meeting it had to be cancelled. It was obvious that they wanted to be entertained and were not there for any other purpose. There was obvious lack of leadership and direction among the Negro entertainers.

157-6-74 p.2

PSI, furnished information be concerning the Annual Awards Membership Luncheon which was held on 6/15/63 in the Embassy Room, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, under the auspices of the Nomen for Legislative Action (NLA). Dick Gregory, who was to have received an award, could not be present as he was attending the Medgar Evers funeral in Mississippi. However, Gregory made arrangements for a Negro disc jockey from St. Louis, No., to fly to Los Angeles to accept the award for him.

A source advised on 4/24/62 that the WLA claimed to be an independent organization dedicated to non-partisan participation in legislative and civic activities. Its position usually paralleled the position of the CP and related groups.

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A NY Office routing slip enclosed a copy of an article from the "Amsterdam News" of 7/13/63, page 11, entitled "Egg-Throwing And Dr. King" by Jackie Robinson. Robinson wrote that Dick Gregory had said the Black Muslims had been in existence for thirty-five years "but the Negro didn't know anything about them until the white man put them on his television." Gregory added that Malcolm X had been invited to speak on white college campuses all over the nation; but seldom, if ever, got invited to Negro college campuses.

25-330971-6591 encl.p.2

AAG Burke Marshall, Civil Rights Division of the Department, Washington, DC, said he had received a call on 7/26/63 from Dick Gregory who advised he had information that communists were going to take over the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) (100-225892) in Chicago. He stated that Gregory's source was who was described as being in CORE both Chicago.

Chicago teletype dated 7/27/63 disclosed that was interviewed on this date at the home of Dick Gregory, Chicago, and was unable to furnish any CP information regarding CORE. Gregory was present briefly during the interview and casually mentioned that he planned to see the AG during the coming week to discuss racial matters generally.

The 7/27/63 issue of "Washington Post and Times Herald," page C-18, contained an article that Gregory was to speak at the convention of Walther League, young people's organization of Luthern Church - Missouri Synod, to be held July 28 to August 1, 1963 in Washington, DC.

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On 8/14/63, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made available a circular bearing the caption "Wake Up!," and the name Campus Interracial Committee at the bottom. A review of this circular disclosed that it was very critical of the position taken by Governor John Connally of Texas in opposing the public accommodations section of the civil rights bill being considered at that time by Congress. The last paragraph was a quoted statement made to the Mississippi Negroes by Dick Gregory which was favorable to the Kennedy brothers and unfavorable to Governor Connally.

157-970-583 enc1.p.2

On 8/19/63, AAG Burke Marshall advised he had been contacted by Dick Gregory who was then in jail in Chicago. Gregory said he had the gun which was used to murder Chicago Alderman Benjamin F. Lewis; that this gun was at his residence and would be turned over to the FBI by since he did not trust the Chicago Police and would not release the gun to that department.

The Chicago office contacted and she furnished a .32 caliber Colt automatic pistol. She related that she had received the gun on 8/19/63 from an employee of United Press International, who about a week before had received information that the gun which "might" have killed Alderman Lewis could be located on Outer Lake Shore Drive in Chicago.

Immediately following the contact with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Chicago Office began receiving press inquiries which indicated Gregory's public relations man had contacted the press and told them about the gun being turned over to the FBI. It was indicated that Gregory had taken this action because the Chicago Police were too busy arresting Negroes to handle a murder. Gregory had indicated to the press that he had received information concerning the gun from a fellow prison at the jail in Chicago.

AAG Marshall said Gregory's action in this instance was ridiculous and we should have nothing further to do with him. The gun was to be turned over to the Detective Division of the Chicago PD, which was investigating the murder of Alderman Lewis.

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The "Chicago Sun-Times;" Chicago, III., for 8/26/63, page 3, carried an article entitled "Rights Leaders To Be Honored At McCormick Place." The article stated that Chicago area civil-rights leaders and national and local civil-rights groups would be the recipients of special award citations at a ceremony Monday night at A Century of Negro Progress Exposition at McCormick Place. Among the individuals getting citations would be Dick Gregory.

157-970-A "Chicago Sun-Times" (14) 8/26/63

Movie Actor Charlton Heston, Los Angeles, Calif., advised that a group of about 60 to 90 movie personalities, for which he was spokesman, were planning to take part in the March On Washington (157-970), 8/28/63. He furnished a list of individuals who had confirmed their intention to be in the above mentioned group. The list, which was set out, included the name of Dick Gregory.

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The "Daily Variety" for 8/26/63 reported that the Crescendo nightclub, 8572 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, Calif.; had some trouble when entertainer Dick Gregory failed to keep an engagement. Gregory was eight days late in opening at the Crescendo, finally appearing on 8/24/63 after spending twelve days in a Chicago jail. He had traveled to Chicago in connection with certain demonstrations in that city, and the news article showed that he was jailed in Chicago on 8/12/63 because of his participation in an alleged civil rights demonstration. The article said he was given an option to sign a recognizance bond, bail first set at \$15.00 then totally waived, but refused as a matter of principle because, "I was not guilty." His trial for Notion of Dismissal was held 8/23/63 in Chicago and a decision was to be made 9/10/63 on it. Gregory's writer, Jim Sanders, also was jailed with the comic and both planned to travel to Washington, DC to participate in the demonstration on 8/28/63.

The above column reported that at least half of Gregory's act "comprised a lengthy, direct, and frequently barbed commentary on his stay at Durance Vile. The rest was his usual comedic material. As he opened, he told the customers, 'sorry I'm late'."

The article continued that Gregory was paid \$5,000 weekly and promised to negotiate his contract to improve the loss he caused the owners of the Crescendo.

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advised that Dick Gregory and his wife attended a William Worthy Dinner meeting on 8/28/63 in the Madison Room of the Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, DC.

According to \_\_\_\_\_ the above meeting was called to formulate the Freedom Now Party (105-123706).

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WFO advised on 9/23/63 that an unknown man called the "Washington Evening Star" and the "Washington Post Times Herald" and indicated there was a bomb in the Howard Theater, 600 T St., NW, Washington, DC.

It should be noted that Dick Gregory was appearing at the Howard Theater at that time.

The "Richmond Times Dispatch," Richmond, Va., reported that Rev. Martin Luther King announced the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) (157-632) National Convention was to be held in Richmond. According to the article, Dick Gregory was to be one of the principal speakers at the National Convention banquet program to be held on 9/24/63. Gregory was to be presented the SCLC's annual "merit award" for his participation in the civil rights movement.

157-632-43 p.1 (13) SI 157-632-42 encl.p.2 (13) (Major S. Duling, Richmond, Va.PD) NY-3580-S\* advised of a discussion between Stanley Levison and his brother, Roy Bennett, on 9/30/63 (place not given). Levison told Bennett that Dick Gregory, Bayard (Rustin) and "someone else" held a six hour session to map out a program. He said he had a feeling that Gregory was "a little nuts" and both agreed that they couldn't see what kind of a program or movement there could be with a comedian, who had no education (Gregory) on its staff. They agreed that this appeared to be a "gimmicking" approach. Levison and Bennett indicated that Gregory apparently was in favor of the Christmas boycott which had been proposed by some civil rights leaders.

100-3-116-398 p.2

Identification Officer of the Dallas County

Sheriff's Office, Selma, Ala., advised that of Dick Gregory was arrested on 9/27/63 and charged with unlawful assembly and inciting to riot.

At a Negro rally on 10/4/63 at Selma, Ala., the main speakers were Dick Gregory and SNCC Leader, James Forman. They urged Negroes to try to become registered voters, beginning on 10/7/63. Gregory was particularly critical of white people generally, and white law enforcement officials (source not clear, possibly SA who attended rally).

On 10/5/63 it was observed that another Negro rally was held b7c at the First Baptist Church in Selma with Gregory again being the featured speaker. \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the "Selma Times Journal Newspaper," advised that Gregory's speech was considerably toned down from the one he gave the previous night. \_\_\_\_\_ stated that Gregory left Selma, Ala. on 10/6/63.

157-4-61-191 encl.p.6,7

Area Committee For The Abolition Of The HCUA (WACAHCUA) (100-434886) had scheduled a public meeting for 10/10/63 at the American University, Washington, DC. Informants stated it was estimated that the WACAHCUA would lose approximately two hundred dollars on the meeting. In order to make up the deficit, the WACAHCUA intended to contact Dick Gregory to participate in a fund-raising affair to be held soon after the meeting. According to informants, definite plans had not been made.

100-434886-43 encl.p.3 (4)

advised that , member of the State Board, b6 the highest policymaking body of the Illinois CP, had stated that in b7C early October, 1963, there was a conference of delegates from the largerb7D civil rights organizations at the University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill. He said the main discussion concerned the First Congressional District and the defeat of Congressman William Dawson. Dick Gregory, who had in the past considered running against Dawson, had withdrawn the offer.

advised on 11/12/63 that Gregory, a well-known born Negro comedian, had been prominently mentioned in recent months in connection with racial disturbances in Chicago and the Southern part of the US.

100-3-14-3870 p.42,43

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The following references on Dick Gregory appear in the file captioned "Racial Matters," 157-6, and set out information concerning Gregory's activities in the civil rights movement in several American cities. Gregory participated in many racial demonstrations by leading marchers, sit-ins, and speaking at many of the meetings and rallies. He was arrested several times during 1963 and the early part of 1964 for parading without a permit, disorderly conduct and disturbance. Each time he was convicted but always entered an appeal.

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Officer Human Relations Section, Chicago PD, advised that Dick Gregory addressed a rally, under the sponsorship of the "Freedom Day II Committee" of the Coordinating Council of Community Organizations, held at the United Packing House Workers Hall, 4859 South Wabash Ave., Chicago on 2/23/64. Officer stated the rally was called to stimulate the proposed Chicago school boycott scheduled for 2/25/64.

157-4-9-93 encl.p.1,2

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and the 2/25/64 edition of the "Boston Globe" reported that at a "Freedom Rally" to be held on 2/25/64 at the Donnelly Memorial Theater, Boston, Mass., Dick Gregory, professional Negro comedian, Louis Lomax, Negro author, and Roy Wilkins, National President of the NAACP, would be the principal speakers. \_\_\_\_\_\_ advised that the "Freedom Rally" was sponsored by the "Massachusetts Freedom Movement" which was brought into being to organize and direct the fight against "de facto" segregation in Boston schools.

157-4-5-23 enc1.p.1 (5) SI 157-4-5-21 enc1.p.3 (5)

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Show," a program of Radio Station WBZ, Boston, Mass., on 3/24/64 had as its guest speaker Malcolm X Shabazz. Kennedy, the moderator of the program, introduced Malcolm X as leader of the Black Muslims, Muslim Mosque, Inc. (100-441765). Malcolm X said he attended a conference on 3/14/64 in Chester, Pa., and Dick Gregory was in attendance. Gregory and some other individuals in attendance had formed an organization to be known as "Act." This group was designed to act anytime, anywhere and in any manner necessary to bring about results.

100-441765-29 p.6

Detective , Bureau of Special Services, NYC PD, reported that school boycott demonstrations were held on 3/16/64 in the NYC area spearheaded by the Citywide Committee for Integrated Schools. Among the speakers at this demonstration was Dick Gregory of Chicago.

157-4-34-50 enc1.p.2 (5) SI 154-4-34-47 p.1 (11) b6

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CG-6031-S\* advised that on 3/20/64 Claude Lightfoot (100-108) b6 b7c was at the offices of "The Norker," 36 West Randolph St., Chicago, and contacted member of the CP of Illinois. They engaged in a general discussion about the wife of the Negro comedian, Dick Gregory, and the fact that she had had twins.

100-108-1199 p.2

First Congressional Citizens Committee and supporting Congressional candidate from First Congressional District, personally appeared at the Chicago Office on 4/13/64 regarding possible Election Laws (56-0) violations at Primary Elections in Chicago on 4/14/64.

Was accompanied by Dick Gregory, who was opposing Congressman William Dawson who was running for election to US Congress, and others.

who was the principal spokesman, advised of their desire to have a fair and honest election and of their desire for FBI assistance if possible at the political the event of any irregularities. They were advised that the FBI would not police the polls but would receive any complaints of irregularities they might have.

56-0-1085 p.1

The following references on Dick Gregory appear in the file captioned "National Civil Rights Convention, Chester, Pa., 3/14/64, Racial Natters," 157-1526, and revealed the following: The above convention was sponsored by the Coordinating Council of Civil Rights Organizations and was held at the Eastern Light Masonic Lodge, 815 West 3rd St., Chester. The meeting began with a forty minute presentation by Dick Gregory, who sat in front of the room with the three chairmen and secretaries and was the only one in the room who rose and stood at attention when Malcolm X walked in. It appeared to the source that Gregory was friendly with Malcolm X. Gregory spoke in generalities and referred to his experiences in Atlanta and San Francisco.

It was announced at the above meeting that the Coordinating Council of Civil Rights Organizations would meet at Washington, DC, on 4/18/64 at Odd Fellows Hall, 1853 - 9th St., NW, to begin a week of boycotts and sit-ins in that city. Among the well known leaders in the integration movement expected to be present was Gregory.

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ETIONAL FORM NO. 10 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT Mr. 1/2/0a& Mr. Casper\_ 1emoran<del>u</del>um Mr. Callahan Mr. Conrad. TO 10/19 Director, FBI DATE: SAC, Kansas City (157-0)Mr. Tavel. r. Trotter Tele. Room. Wiss Holmes SUBJECT: DICK GREGORY Miss Gandy. RACIAL MATTERS Attached for information of the Bureau is a newspaper report of an appearance by DICK GREGORY, Negro entertainer, who appeared in Springfield, Missouri October 14, 1964. Bureau will note GREGORY comments concerning Attorney General ROBERT KENNEDY, the FBI and many other prominent individuals in a derogatory manner. Bureau (enc. 1) Kansas City HAF/hmg (3) ENCTOSURE 18 OCT 4 29 74 544 ×. **70 OCT 291964** 

# Wonders About Birdman

The many faceted Negro came personally acquainted with comedian. Dick Gregory, who the attorney general when Nekept a crowd of more than 2500 gro James Meredith was at ders if a talk he had with Attorney General Robert Kennedy had any influence on the death Stroud died here.

the Birdman," said Gregory, assassinate the di-who appeared as part of the John F. Kennedy. Southwest Missouri State Col- He agreed that

"Lasked Kennedy if he would review the case, and he said he would look into it.

"Next thing L knew, he was dead."

Gregory did not say how his talk with Kennedy could have influenced the Birdman's death, but was extremely interested in

Of particular interest to Gregory, he said, was the fact that federal authorities had seized a manuscript, written by the Birdman, allegedly about the federal penal institutions and willed to a relative.

The well - known social satirist!" asked more questions tille in the foreword to the book: than the interviewer. He wanted to know if there was a possibilky that federal officials would eyghtually relinquish the manuscript to Stroud's relatives, and that it would be published. He

didn't wait for an answer.

"If we do get it now, what guarantee do we have that they haven't changed it."

The comedian said he first be-

in thought and stitches during tempting to integrate the Unian appearance here last night, versity of Mississippi at Oxford, said in an interview before his and federal intervention was program that he sometimes won- required. Gregory, said his talk with Kennedy occurred in Washington about two weeks before

of Robert Stroud, the famed Also during the interview Birdman of Alcatraz who died Gregory hinted he thinkst that in the U.S. Medical Center here last November.

"I was very concerned about were "involved in a plot" to were "involved in a plot" to assassinate the late President

Southwest Missouri State Col-lege convocations program in the SMS fieldhouse was involved in the plot also but said that Oswald did not fire; the shots as the recently released Warren Report stated

To support his charges, Gregory produced reference ma-terial which included a photographic sequence of the assas sination printed in Life Magarecent developments in the zine, plus photostatic copies of official reports related to the investigation.

> Also last night, Gregory, a leader in the civil rights movement, revealed that his latest book, entitled higger, would be published the latter part of this week...

He explains the choice of

Dear Mom, wherever you are, when you hear the word 'nigger' again, they're advertis-ing my book."

He said that there would be only one copy of the book sent out free to Lyndon B. John

"I'm determined to getva nigger in the White House he quipped.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Springfield Daily-Now s

Springfield, Mo.

10/14/64 Date: Edition: Morning

Author: C. W. JOHNSON Editor: Negro Comedian Title: Attracts 2500

Character:

Classification: 94-Submitting Office: KC

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He has already authored one best seller book entited From the Back of the Bus!"

Asked about recent racistinspired bombings in McComb

Miss Gregory found opportunity once more to chastize the

"If the FBI can't catch: a bunch of racial haters, what have the Communists been running away with here?"

Gregory, working during his day off from a 30 day CORE tour which will conclude during the next week; flew back to California immediately following last night's performance in the arena of the SMS fieldhouse.

He said that he made more appearances before college audiences as a lecturer that a performer.

Askeli if he ever had object

tions to material used in his act that might be construed as derogatory" to his race, he said

that he was considered a social satirist, "and they heve always had more losway to treat their.

subjects as they please."

And during his performance on stage, as in the interview, Gregory pulled no punch lines. Noting as he began his monologue in the presence of Richard Nixon, stumping for the Repub lican national ticket in Spring-field last night, Gregory opined that Nixon was really following that Nixon was really tollowing through on a pro-GOP convention statement by the former vice president to "stop Goldwater."

"He figures the best way to beat Barry;" said Gregory, "is

to campaign for him."

The comedian also had choice observations on the presidential

candidates— ""If "I look" tired to you, "it's because I spent so long at the Phoenix, 'Ariz; airport walting for Barry Goldwater to come in How was II to know he would farive by stage coach."

"You say there il never be a

colored person in the White House Well maybe so, but at least we got one there now that sounds like us."

He recalled that friends asked him if he was angry with Goldwater for voting against the civil rights bill. He said it didn't make much difference to him because if Barry got elected; "I'd look like some kind of nut worrying: about: public: accom-modations sitting in some foxhole."

gregory also noted that "Russia done it again — they just put up one of the bunga-

Gregory's appearance was preceded by that of a musical group who call themselves the Mandrell Singers. The quartet-Charles Austin, Rodney Young, Dave-Thomas and Fred Griffith = proved very popular with the audience, running the gamut of music presentations from Beatle hits to folk songs to Ne gro spirituals.

It was the quartet's first appearance with Gregory, although it will join him for another program later this year. The Mandrells originate in Boston.



Popular Negro comedian Dick Gregory chats with Southwest Missouri State College sophomore Cheryl Harmon prior to an appearance in the SMS fieldhouse before a crowd of more than 2500 last night; Gregory began his performance with "correction" of a statement by Lyle Leisenring, chairman of the SMS convocations program who included in his introduction of the entertainer the fact that Gregory had dropped out of Southern Illinois University. "I flunked," said Gregory Regarded as a civil rights leader in this country, Gregory has written one best seller, "From the Back of the Bus," and an nounced last night publication of another book, "nigger."

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DICK GREGORY

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10 MAY 1962 EDITION GSA GEN, REG, NO. 27 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT Del.oach 1emorandum Casper .Callahan Contad 12-8-64 Mr. DeLoach DATE: Sullivan M Tavel Trotter Tele, Room **FROM** Holmes. Gandy SUBJECT: DICK GREGORY APPEARANCE ON "LES CRANE SHOW" 12-7-64 c Captioned television program is presented nationwide over the American Broadcasting Company each weekday evening from 11:30 p.m. until 1 a.m. Crane opened the program noting that the FBI had made arrests in the civil rights case in Mississippi. He asked a member of the audience what he thought of this and the individual replied that he thought this was good and it showed that the FBI 'was really working." Comedian Dick Gregory was interviewed by Crane between 12;30 - 12:45 a.m. He mentioned his new book, an autobiography entitled Wigger " and devoted several minutes to the telling of jokes regarding the civil rights movement. Crane mentioned the FBI arrests in Mississippi and Gregory said that they only bore out what he said three months ago when he claimed he had stated arrests would occur in this case shortly after the election. He said it was very sad that this had to be "a political thing." He did not explain this and Crane did not pursue the matter further. RECOMMENDATION: For information. DEC 11 1964. 1 - Mr. De Loach 1 - Mr. Rosen

5010-106 MAY 1962 FOITION GSA GEN, REG, NO, 27 UNITED STATES GO DeLoach  $\it 1emorandum$ Casper Callahan Contad. : Mr. Belmont() TO DATE: January 21, 1965 Trotterl - Mr. Mohr A. Rosen Tele. Room FROM - Mr. DeLoach Holmes - Mr. Sullivan b6 - Mr. Belmont "NIGGER;" AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY **b**7C Mr. Rosen BY DICK GREGORY - Mr. Malley WITH ROBERT LIPSYTE: Mr. McGowan BOOK REVIEW - Mr. Lavin - Research Sect (Publications) THE BOOK: The book is 224 pages, published by the firm of E. P. Dutton and Company, Inc., New York. The price is \$4.95. The book can be broken down into the three phases of Gregory's life, the first section dealing with his early days in St. Louis, Missouri, and his family/background, which consisted of a broken home and dire poverty. The second section of the book deals with Gregory's rise to athletic fame as a track star at Southern Illinois University, and the third section is devoted to his rise to fame as a Negro comedian. During this third period of his life, Gregory became interested in the civil rights struggle of the Negro and has made several appearances throughout the South on behalf of the civil rights program. The book would have little interest to anyone except a fan of Dick Gregory. The man certainly has a drive within him, which has enabled him to raise himself up from a very poorbeginning to become a track star and later to become a well-paid entertainer. The book, however, lapses into obscenities in certain places, and as an example of Gregory's character he proclaims in one portion of the book that his wife Lillian was four\_months pregnant when she told him of her pregnancy and thereafter they were married. Gregory, in certain portions of the book, lapses into gutter language and no great thoughts or solutions to the race problem are enunciated, which makes it doubtful that the book will find any permanent place in American literature or advance the cause of the Negro. Enclosure COPIES DESTROYED REG: 11 9 NOV 23 1914 1 - 100-440423 (Dick Gregory) 1 - 62-46855, (Book Reviews) JAN 25 1965 RBL/bec/ (12) bec -5 · blade CONTINUED - OVER RESEARCH-SATEPLE

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: "NIGGER;" AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY
BY DICK GREGORY

### THE AUTHORS:

Gregory is the subject of Bureau file 100-440423. This file consists mostly of letterhead memoranda dealing with Gregory's appearances throughout the country on behalf of the civil rights movement.

May 8, 1964, in which he stated, "I challenge you to tell the public who these communists are and where they are" in relation to the Director's statement that there are communists affiliated with the civil rights movement in the United States. The Director indicated that the Bureau should "ignore this welp."

In addition, Gregory, in another instance injected himself into the case of the three missing civil rights workers who were murdered in Mississippi. Gregory made press releases that Congress should investigate the FBI because he furnished the FBI with information indicating the location of the bodies. Gregory did furnish information to the Bureau in this matter, which information, however, was of no value in the case. Gregory also made irresponsible and ridiculous claims for credit for the solution of the case.

Th	ere ar	e no	references	in	Bureau	files	to	

There is attached hereto a full book report published by "The Nation" dated 11/23/64.

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# MENTION OF THE FBI:

The FBI is mentioned on page 191 of the book. Gregory made an appearance in Greenwood, Mississippi, in 1963 (the date is not given in the book) and made mention that the police were on their best behavior that day because there were FBI Agents in town with movie cameras. Bureau files (157-896) indicate that Dick Gregory appeared in Mississippi during 1963, and it should be noted that pursuant to Departmental request, Agents were observing and photographing activities relating to the desegregation of Mississippi business establishments and public facilities during this period.

RECOMMENDATION:				
None.	The boo	peing sent to th	e Bureau Librar	у.

There is another aspect of Lawren which needs to be discussed and ? usually dodged by everyone except the more tendentious Marxist critics. Like Yeats Stephan George, T. S. Eliot, Valéry, Unamuno, Ezra Pound, von Hoffmansthal, Lawrence was a dedicated spokesman for what Joseph Freeman thirty gears ago called the fascist unconscious Note the "f" is in lower case. Lawrence did not live to see the horrors of Nazism, but the Nibelungen geist that haunted Frieda's relatives aroused in him only amused contempt, as did the more trivial popinjay antics of Mussolini's minions. Nevertheless, Lawrence was anti-humane, antihumanist and anti-humanitarian, like most of the leading poets of the inter-national community of the first half of the 20th century. In Europe the exponents of humanism were proved frauds by the First World War. In America, where by a historical accident they were given the chance to ackpersonally in committees, they were proved malevolent frauds by the Sacco-Vanzetti case. But this does not. mean that humanism is a fraud. Nor does it excuse an anti-humane way of life. Lawrence once remarked that the beastlinesshof man to man increased in proportion to growth in membership in the S.P.C.A. and the perfection of painless dentistry. This is probably true, but it does not excuse Ernest Hemingway's attendance at bull fights. at bull fights.

This question is usually dismissed as one of the out-of-date concerns of the thirties. It is not, and some day it is going to be necessary to revaluate book by book and almost sentence by sentence the moral meaning of the leading poets of the first half of the 20th century. Since Lawrence occupies so exposed a position in this context, he would make an excellent subject for the first chapter. The po-lemics of the thirties, far from settling the matter, confused it further, since both sides of the controversy -were in fact militant anti-humanists, whatever they called themselves. In America one sect of them did in fact call themselves Humanists as of course did Zhdhanov in the last blogdy hours of Stalin.

There's not much to say about the book of Lawrence's paintings, although Viking's edition is good to have if one is a Lawrentian. Like most famous people, Lawrence was indulged and self-indulged. Like Henry Miller, he was persuaded that he was a painter. Painting is hard work and the

business of professionals. Lawrence was not as skilled an amateur as Winston Churchill or Dwight Eisenhower—much less Estlin Cummings. He painted for relaxation, not least the relaxation of sexual tensions. His paintings are rather silly as are the verses he wrote for such purposes. Some of them, with red naked males with Abyssinian faces, and mountainous women with Brünnhildean bottoms are diagnostic Krankenkunst, slightly crazy fantasies of himself and Frieda. The whole book is one of those embarassing, historically important docu-

ts so vital to the history of literate but so expendable by good taste. As for the Collected Poems, as a final editio princeps it leaves nothing to be desired. Juvenilia and variora and dismembra rejecta, all are here, edited, collated and printed with loving care. It is hard to see how this edition will ever be superseded.

Kenneth Rexroth's Selected Poems of D. H. Lawrence (New Directions, 1948) was the first editon of Lawrence's poetry to be published in this country since 1929.

# Comedy's Cold Sustenance

NIGGER. By Dick Gregory with Robert Lipsyte. E. P. Dutton & Co. 224 pp. \$4.95.

### Peter de Lissovoy

Negroes have called one another "nigger" ever since the white man slurred the epithet into being, but it doesn't mean what it used to. Jokes and insults that once worked to restrict and reduce a people get turned around in a revolution, and expose the malicious and straitened mentality that created them. These days, "nigger" is seen to be a white man; when a black uses the word, he affirms, ironically, his own humanity, and-by the same twist —anticipates a time when that humanity will be generally acknowledged. Not that this is anything really new. The African, chained down and sailed away, was feeling it every time he shook his head in terror or in disbelief. And there were slaves who felt it, who challenged and recognized their fantastic fate, and started rebellions and started the blues. But recently, the irony has become quite public. A cold silver sustenance of the heart has climbed out of hiding and become familiar even to whites. The title of Dick Gregory's new book is shocking, as was intended—a matter of sales. But it is more than this. It is full and large in a way it could never have been a decade or two ago-a promise and a claim and, disappointingly, much larger than the book itself.

Nigger begins impressively with a comic, poignant account of Gregory's youth in the slums of St. Louis. The

Peter de Lissovoy, a frequent Nation contributor, was until recently a campaign writer for C. B. King, the first Negro candidate for Congress from south Georgia since Reconstruction.

style is reminiscent, easy and rolling:

... Once a month the big gray rclief truck would pull up in front of our house and Momma would flash that big smile and stretch out her hands. "Who else you know in this, neighborhood gets this kind of service?" And we could all feel proud when the neighbors, folks who weren't on relief, folks who had Daddies in their houses, would come by the back porch for some of those hundred pounds of potatoes, for some sugar and flour and salty fish. We'd stand out there on the back porch and hand out the food like we were in charge of helping poor people. . . .

And we get the "boy" as well as the "black":

We went to the movies a lot.... Once we had a riot... when Tarzan jumped down from a tree and grabbed about a hundred Africans. We didn't mind when Tarzan beat up five or ten, but this was just too many, a whole tribe, and we took that movie house apart, ran up on the stage and kicked the screen and fought the guys who still dug Tarzan.

... We used to root for the Indians against the cavalry, because we didn't think it was fair in the history books that when the cavalry won it was a great victory, when the Indians won it was a massacre. We always cheered for the American soldiers and booed the Japanese and Germans. . . .

We had joys back there in St. Louis, joys that made us want to live just as surely as the pains taught us how to live....

The temptation to quote is great—as it always is after a Gregory performance. (Robert Lipsyte probably put it all to paper, but the storyteller's style is Gregory's.) What really tips the scales for the first section of the

ENCLOSURE 10

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November 23, 1964 "The nation

book is the reconstruction of the Gregory began developing his ast-draw humor:

the neighborhood; skinniest kid on the block, the poorest, the one without a Daddy. I guess that's when I first began to learn about humor, the power of the joke. . . .

"Hey Gregory, get your ass over here. Want you to tell me and Herman how many kids sleep in your

bcd."

"Googobs of kids in my bed, man, when I get up to pee in the middle of the night gotta leave a bookmark so I don't lose my place."

Before they could get going, I'd knoch it out first, fast. . . . Everything began to change then. Once you get a man to laugh with you, it's hard for him to laugh at you. . . .

... Sometimes the big guys would come after me. A guy twice my size would grab me and push me against a wall and be all ready to knock my face in. I'd roll my eyes and look down at his feet.

"Baby, you better kill me quick."
If you don't, I'm gonna steal those cool shoes you wearin'."

Now who could beat up a guy who 'said that?

Gregory made a weapon of humor in order to become a man on the block. The block is nearly always a little-America. Negroes have long used the joke to become and remain men in a society that would reduce them to something less. Gregory's mother taught him that "man has two ways out in life—laughing and crying. There's more hope in laughing." These first chapters say something about how a whole lot of black men have stayed sane and grown, and under Gregory's enriching comic gaze the boy that he was emerges large and real.

After the first hundred or so pages. the book begins to slow and weaken. Gregory leaves Southern Illinois University, where he has studied and run track on an athletic scholarship, and moves into the frenzied world of the small-time entertainer. Now he is not casting back into a period of his life for significant anecdotes and memories, but is trying to explain how he got from here to there to the Big-Time. The comic style that has worked so well grows thin, and he begins to rely heavily on the sudden reverse or punch line to provide the necessary movement. At only one point does the book rise again to the level of the first chapters. Liké a gem turned up in common rock, half a dozen pages are. devoted suddenly to what Gregory calls "one of the greatest lessons in .

show business"—the problem of talk ing race, or America, to predominantly white audiences:

... A white man will come to a Negro club, so hung up in this race problem, so nervous and afraid of the neighborhood and the people that anything the comic says to relieve his tension will absoutely knock him out. . . . I've seen a white man in a Negro-club jump up and say' "Excuse me" to a Negro waitress who just spilled a drink in his lap. ... But ... in their neighborhood, some of them are going to feel sorry for me because I'm a Negro. and some of them are going to hate me because I'm a Negro. Those who feel sorry might laugh a. little at first. But they can't respect someone they pity, and eventually they'll stop laughing. Those who hate me aren't going to laugh at all.

I've got to hit them fast, before they can think, just the way I hit those kids back in St. Louis who picked on me because I was raggedy and had no Daddy. . . I've got to make jokes about myself before I can make jokes about them and their society—that way they can't hate me. Comedy is friendly relations. . . .

At his best, Gregory exploits an olddiscipline—the comic tradition that informs the blues. Humor, in the Negro community, is much more than a means to survival. As a way of living and seeing it is as valid for the white man as for the black. Gregory is an instructive, sometimes great, humorist because he finds ways of expressing his and his audience's humanity at a comic level really common to both. He neither makes fun of himself in the post-minstrel Rochester tradition (the Jack Benny days) nor succumbs to the temptation of attacking his audience with a funny hatchet, but laughs at us all and brings the audience up to his level.

Most of this middle portion of the book is straight, narrative autobiography-interesting only if you are. curious about how Gregory met his wife, got started as a comic, and began having kids. The relatively even irony: of the first pages breaks down, and a little vein of sentimentality, just apparent at first, begins to bleed, copiously. After all his bleak and perilous times, he gets his break. He appears at the Playboy Club-and then on the Jack Paar Show; and now he can buy a color television set that is so big that doors must be unhinged to get it into his apartment, and he can buy his wife, who can't drive, a Thunderbird. That's getting back at the system.")

... I was growing by the minute, meeting fascinating people, like Hefner and Paar and Bob Hope. I was flying first class to California and New York. One day one of the biggest record companies called....

Fascinating people.... Now he even gets to put down his non-Daddy, who once deserted his mother, and the girl friend who was once too good for him shows up at a performance and he gets to crack on her. "That was a big year, 1961." He celebrates it at Christmas and gives his wife a long list of things. "It's get-even time, Santa."

It sounds like a bad Marxist caricature of a nouveau riche. Just about the time we are thinking, my God, he can't be leading us here, we discover that, in the back of his mind, Gregory has been thinking the same thing. He begins to do shows in prisons, and benefits for · CORE and the NAACP. And this isn't enough. He goes South and marches with SNCC in Selma, Greenwood, Jackson. The Grand Reversal. Here is America the Beautiful—in the faces of "those' brave, beautiful kids . . . ." who never sleep, and sacrifice so much, and so on. The rest - the denouement - is old-hat movement rhetoric.

This is really too bad. Because there is a grandeur in the Southern Negro Movement. The civil rights struggle is creating heroes in a society-whose herolessness is celebrated in a hundred novels. Gregory himself has made large sacrifices—one of a small but important group of celebrities who have given of their time and stature. But, with the exception of a couple of good anecdotes, Gregory's account of his experiences in the South is sentimental, mechanical, undiscoveringanother page in the tourist brochure that the publishing business is writing for the Movement.

And the failure is a bit deeper yet. There is the climax, the big reversal—money isn't everything, and so on. Unfortunately, it doesn't work. Gregory has elaborated too enthusiastically the meanings of his show-biz success. Of course, he has built it all up partly in order to knock it down with his conversion to Freedom. But the tone of his commercial success hangs on in our minds and, like an echo, up rises the question: In what will success for the Movement consist?

. . . we're ready to change a system, a system where a white man can destroy a black man with a single word. Nigger.

When we're through . . . there won't be any niggers any more.

But when nigger - and whitey -

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have disappeared, who will rep them? Who will we be then? Fascinating people like Bob Hope? Gregory suggests nothing to the contrary. But if Gregory's thinking stops short of an important question, so does the thinking of many of us, involved or sympathetic, in the Movement. Nigger is a small book. Years from now, when the civil rights struggle has run out more of its course, it may be the book's limitations that seem most eloquent;

# The Ice Age

I KNOW WHAT I'M DOING. By Hans Koningsberger. Simon & Schuster. 190 pp, \$3.95.

### Keith Waterhouse

If every writer had Hans Koningsberger's compactness of expression there would be no need of microfilm in the public libraries. He can start and finish a chapter within the space it took Henry Vames to reach the first semicolon. His entire output probably runs to about a quarter of the length of one of those fat epics about fornication in a small American town. In this space he has man-aged to say more tabout the human condition than many reputable authors could achieve if they wrote-until the end of time.

Consider a fairly familiar theme in the modern novel a single girl is involved with a married man, and during an unguarded moment he talks of marrying her. This is surely good for a new typewrifer ribbon, half a dozen freshly sharpened pencils and a brisk walk around the block before. starting into the big scene:

(1) Man tells girl he would like to marry her.

(2) Reaction from girl

(3) Decision by girl to play it cool.

(4) Reply from girl showing that she is playing it cools

(5). Reaction from man.

(6) Reaction from girl to reaction from man.

(7) Decision by man to play it cagey.

(8) Cagey reply from man.

(9) Editorial summing up of the situation at half time.

And so on, through all the tense pauses, averted glances and allathe rest of it to the coda with the girl as likely as not wandering through a rain-swept street and wondering whether to get herself picked up.

This is how Mr. Koningsberger deals with the situation in his new novel I Know What I'm Doing:

Keith Waterhouse is the author of Billy Liar (Norton) and Jubb (Put-

He lowered his paper and stared at me. Then he went back to it and said without looking up, "We'll get

married one day."
"We will?" I asked. "Are you pro-

posing?"

"Would you accept?"

"Try me."

He shifted in his chair. "I'm not free," he finally muttered. "I will be one of these days," he said.

, "Well, you just missed your chance," I said.

End of scene. In other words, unlike so many novelists, Mr. Koningsbérgeradoes not write in the apparent belief that his publisher is about to do a book-club deal with Mars and that everything which human beings think and say and do has therefore got to be explained as in that tedious parlor game where one has to describe a chair to someone who has

As in Koningsberger's earlier nov-els (The Affair, A Walk With Love and Death, An American Romance) I Know What I'm Doing is written in a very modern way, using the film director's technique of cutting into the guts of a scene, describing it at its climax and getting out again without any flimflam. And he keeps the writer's notebook a healthy ten paces away from his typewriter. Part of the present novel is set in Hollywood -as good an excuse as your can find for the travelogue stuff—but his only observation on that over-observed town is that Sunset Boulevard is lined with beer bottles. Mr. Koningsberger gets on with the story.

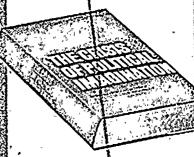
The interesting thing is ulhy he keeps it short. I once wrote of An American Romance, that he couldn't have written it with the economy he used had not millions of words about love already been written before it. Looking at his latest novel I realize that this isn't wholly true. It's what we have lived rather than what wehave read that enables Mr. Koningsberger to jump in at the deep end.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director, F.B.I., Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

My wife and I feel that you should be informed of the derogatory remarks made by Dick Gregory about you and the President at a meeting held here in Savannah, Monday, Feb 8, at the Manger Hotel, and therefore local newspaper accounts are enclosed.

We, as with the overwhelming number of our citizens, have the highest regard for your personal integrity and professional actions, and look upon you and the F.B.I. as the staunchest bulwark and defense against the enemies of our country, both domestic and foreign.

For the great work you have done and continue to do for America, all our citizens will be indebted to you always. I recall some thirty years ago the Knights of Columbus printed and widely circulated an address by you on the evils and deadly arms of Communism. I have a copy now. You have been and yet remain the greatest obstacle in its path. May God bless you in all your endeavors and grant you long life and good health.

All good wishes to you, Mr. Hoover.

Sincerely	ETT
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that if one person shows up he goes to as much trouble to get there as a thousands people would if they had come.??

Harris Slotin, who introduced small audience.

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greeted by a crowdestimated at 1,000 at the Flamingo club.

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Gregory plans to depart this morning and fly to Chicago for a brief visit with his family, then fly to Honolulu where he plans to rest and do some writing. He recently wrote a bestseller called "Nigger," which is his autobiography

# Uninsured **Proposed**

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# Sen. Russell Is Recuperating

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen Chairman of the Senate Armed Richard B. Russell, D-Ga., is Services Committee was hosmaking satisfactory progress to pitalized last Tuesday. ward recovery from an operation which was performed to Bourbon Teetotaler help him breath easier after he was hospitalized for treatment BOURBON; Mo. (UP).

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He called Federal Bureau of the U.S. District Court Feb investigation director J. Edgar Hoover "the most dangerous man in America today because hor free; society should have a searer police. The FBI would be farmal jury term grand jury by Judge Abraham D. Eason of Manasses was appointed deputy foreman.

The other members of the grand jury, which began considering criminal indictments to day, are:

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RI: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY b6 b7C

Gregory reportedly stated there was a document written regarding the true facts of the assassination and that one man in Miami had been hilled for having the document in his possession. Gregory refused to furnish a crop of the document to the ADL employee saying it was too dangerous; however, he did furnish three pages of a document depicting what will be written in the year 2505 A.D. about the assassination, which according to the ADL employee, Gregory reluctantly admitted was written by his

Other remarks allegedly made by Gregory include the statement that Mr. Hunt finances the "Minute Men" and most Agents who leave the FBI engaged in radical right or extreme conservative movements.

## BACKGROUND BACKGROUND

Bureau files indicate Gregory has in the past supported the Black Fuslims, injected himself into the racial movement and espoused causes and redeviduals closely associated with the communist movement (100-440423-16).

## LICLOSED DOCUMENT

The three pages reportedly written by Gregory's appear to be part of a larger document as the pages are numbered 72, 73 and 74. These pages contain monstrous fabrications even more absurd than the trash put out by the infamous reported communist sympathizer, sex pervert and former New York assemblyman. The alleged facts of Oswald's participation and flight are so fantastic it does not seem possible that anyone even with a limited knowledge of the assassination could believe the story.

# RECOMMENDATIONS

We have long suspected that Gregory is demonted. Nevertheless, the comments he has made are utterly ridiculous and we should confront him and tell him in no uncertain terms that he better stop putting out such gutter talk.

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Specia, Agent in Charge

At a secting between Dick Oregory and syself on Jamesry 18th (2 AM) he related the following:

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After a century of research, historians arrived at an accurate version of how the assassination actually was accomplished and how Oswald was falsely accused, convicted in the press and publicly assassinated with the connivance of the police who had arrested him.

Here is the story in brief:

- Late in the afternoon of November 21, 1963 Oswald, under orders from Ruby and Ruby's patrican bosses, was able to get a hired gunman into the Book Depository without detection. The gunman spent the night on the sixth floor in a seldom-used room. He are a meal of cold fried chicken and drank a bit of soda pop.

- A rifle which police claimed was used by Oswald to assassinate Kennedy - the rifle which was purchased by mail on March 20 - was planted by a member of the conspiracy in an easily-spotted location on the 6th floor. The weapon actually used by the gunman was an excellent one, an automatic repeating weapon, perfectly sighted and fired by experts. The shots proved it.

pert gunman had arrived during the early hours of November 22 at a perfect sniper's post on a railroad bridge a few hundred yards down the parade route from the book depository. The Consul's car must pass beneath this overpass and the killers planned to catch him in a deadly crossfire from both front and back.

- Oswald's job, he was told, was simply to wedge open a second floor elevator door in the depository so that police would be delayed in reaching the sixth floor. Un-

Oswaldwent quietly to work and leamed the building's layout, found which floors were vacant and which rooms faced the parade route that Kennedy was sure to take on November 22.

During this period Oswald had a  $\infty$ n-siderable sum of money. He had \$150 in cash on the day of the assassination.



He often spoke now of "good times" just ahead. But Oswald failed to see the cen - tral fact so painfully apparent to everyone else, that he had neither the ability nor the brains to play any other role than that of the "patsy" in such a crucial undertaking.

Shortly before the assassination three men met at Ruby's club to clear up such matters as pinning the guilt on Oswald.

Theywere Ruby one of the wealthy rightists who financed the plot, and Dallas Police Officer J.D. Tippeit, an old friend of Ruby's.

Ruby made the plans paid off
Tippit. The policeman was to meet Oswald after the killing, arrest him and plant
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Perhaps the strangest part of the entire story lay in the fact that the majority of the empire's citizens relieved this fabrication that Oswald was Kennedy's lone and unaided assassin. The fantastic collection of absolute lies, misrepresentations and half truths which they accepted is the best indi-

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- It was at this point that an arcident occured which nearly marred the perfect plot. As plunned, Oswald's jarrned elevafor door delayed the first policeman to enter the depository long enough to let the gunman escape, However, the suspicious officer saw Oswold near the jammed elazator door and immediately drew his yen, Although he was applicably distracted from Oswald, it was this move which panished the "paisy" and sent him off on a main to cape attempt that nearly upset everything. For the near grest made Oswald realize for the first time just how bad his position would be if arrested. He ran, forgetting in meet Tippett at the rendezvous chosen earlier,

= But in his panic-stricken fight Osawald remembers it a second part of his instructions. If he missed the first confederate he was to make another "meet" in a



movie house only a few blacks from both his rented mam and Ruby's apartment.

- This "Plan 8" was designed to insure that Osw Id would not escape arrest if by an unfor een misfortune, Tippit did not find him.

- Oswald went by a circuitous route trom the Book Depository to the theater. The fact he left \$150 in cash in his dresser drawer attests to the ponic which caught him unowares.

- Now we come to the strangest part of, the story, the assassination of Tippit. A meeting had been arranged for Tippit and ome of Ruby's men. The officer was to show uponly if he aid not succeed in finding and arresting Oswald. The gunman had orders to shoot lippit if 'c DID show up, since it meanthe had failed and he was ansidered too unrelighte to let live. The meeting was to be held only a few blocks from Rubyts apartmontal ich was the focal point xf "Plan B" since it was only a few blocks from the rooming house where Oswald lived and another few blocks from the theater where Oswald had been instructed to go to get "new directions" if the first meet failed.

- Tippit, driving a police car on his day off in an area where he had not been assigned, met his contact man as ardered. The man, described by the only witness present as "short, stocky, with bushy black hair" (the exact opposite of Oswald), walked up to the side of the waiting police car and asked on y one question, "Did you get him?" Tippit admitted his failure and got out of the sor to walk over to his contact man, the never made it. Three bullets out him down.

A used car dealer who saw the killer only at the moment of his escape, talked too much and was shot months later. The little friend of the gunman who did this job was one of Ruby's strippers. She also began



to all to death in a Dallas fall cell.

-Vinile Tippit was be killed, Oswald seed into the theater to ep his "meet" which Ruby's man. Instead of an adomptice, Ruby sent the police. It was now time to "frame" Oswald as the "lone and unaided killer." Key members of the Dallas police were calgned to make sure the "frame" fit voll.

-Contrary to published reports, Oswald view but "silent" during his interrogation. He immediately revealed that he was an FBI informer and said that agency would vouch for him. For this reason, the transcript of Oswald's interrogation was never made public. In the meantime, Oswald was tried and convicted in the press and on felevision. For the average American the matter was very quickly closed.

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By November 24 Oswald's newspaper conviction" had been accomplished. Ruby and the Dallas police needed to wait no longer. The police set the stage so that Ruby could perform the first televised association in history. It was the best possible way to convince Americans that Oswaldhadnot been killed by the police themsolves.

- Ruby was fried and found guilty of the murder of Oswald. After a suitable "cooling off" period in which the slothful Americans went back to television escapism and forgot all about the assassination. Ruby was found "insane" in a special "sanity hearing." He was removed from the now notorious Dallas County Jail and taken to a mental hospital where he "escaped." He was nover heard of again.

well-meaning liberal jurist gave credence to the "of all" story although he know that much of it was untrue. Earl Warren feared that the revelation of even the fider that Oswald was an FBI informer might destroy the public's confidence in the government of which he was a member.

The situation was particularly crucial since 1964, the year of the inquiry, was also an election year. Warren hoped to set matters straight after Kennedy's vice presidenthad been elected to fill the term the Last Great Consul had needed so badly.

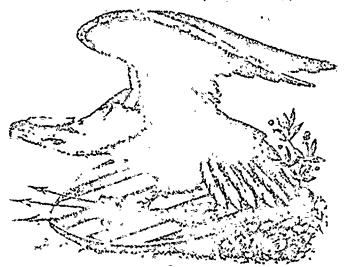
- Warren's calculated gamble falled. With Kennedy out of the way, the enemies of social reform again had the par of the Empire.

In November, 1964, less than a year after the Kennedy occassination, a fanatical rightist senator from another Western police state much like Texas was elected presidents

Shortly before the election Hoover was legally confirmed as the FBI's lifetime dictator.

The assassination gamble had paid off.
With control of the secret police, the
administration and the military firmly in
their hands, the rightist patricans set out
to destroy the Republic.

Within a short time they succeeded.



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# Gregory:Terms Racio Conflict Right vs. Wrong

And "if we don't solve this problem, it will solve us," Ne Praising white college civil gro come d it in civil rights rights workers Gregory said, worker Dick Gregory said in Lincoln Wednesday:

Gregory said the 1964 civil rights bill hasn't satisfied mi nority groups because it rep-resents getting 4.64 c.e.n.t.s change for a dollar—it's free dom on the installment plan. We didn't ask for a civil rights bill—we ask that the Constitution be carried out to

Attacks Hoover

The comedian also lashed out at U. Edgar Hoover, and the FBI.

the FB1. Any organization sheaded by a night winger is not go ing to be fair Hoover says communists have infiltrated the civil rights movement He should say which groups specifically instead of making a blanket statement?

He added; 'L have a com-plete distrust of the FBI. Racial murders are one of the easiest crimes to solve, yet i takes them nine month come up with anything."

White America is less free than Negroes are today; black America has become the psy chological master, he said. Gregory also spoke out against capital punishment e said churches could end capital punishment overnight They teach Thou shalt got

kill; but permit the state to do it," he said Churches are also the most

Star Staff Writer life (today), Gregory, said.

America's race problem is it bigger than what people are

"Without them," we'd have been defeated 18 months ago in the South 2

He predicted that Selma, Ala, will be the battleground for the civily rights movement for the next tive for its ix months. The race problem is na tional Mississippi is part o America we're (all guilty Time won't solve the problem It is neutral he said The Southern Negro has

committed his life to solve the problem and he will Then the Northern Negro will be freed and together we'll free all of America; Gregory said.\*

The author of two books including the recently publat the University of Nebrasia lished "Nigger," quipped that wednesday afternoon and at his ambition is to put a Nig ger" in every home.

praising the University of Ne braska football team. He said not a case of black against led to believe he said. It a Negro. Its the only sport white it is a problem of right should be investigated, but where a Negro can chase a white and have 40,000 cheer? Football is a fair sport for a Negro. Its the only sport white and have 40,000 cheer? Praising white college civil Gregory spoke at the Univer-Can't Be Bought

Gregory, who spends about 90% of his time with the civil rights movement, said money and education won't solve the problem. Human dignity, can't be bought; he said 🔊 He cited the example of Charles Drew, the Negro who d e vie lo p e d blood plasma Drew, bled to death in a southern hospital after a car accident because the hospital

from Selma, Ala: where his trial has been postponed until next week. He was arrested during) a voter registration protest there

He spoke to overflow crowd:

a National Association for t Advancement of Colored Reo Gregory, established a rap-lible meeting Wednesday night (Indicate page; name of newspaper, city and state.)

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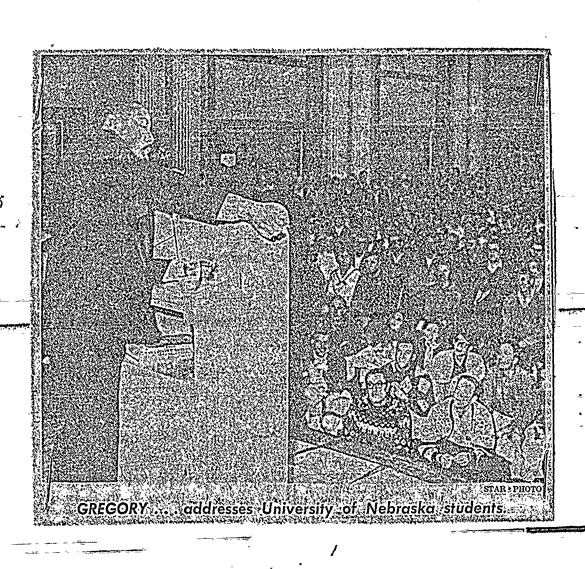
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# **Comments** On Killing

By LARRY TAYLOR Dick Gregory, Negro comedian and civil rights leader, was in Lincoln Wednesday\_direct from a command

appearance at the Selma, Ala: jail.

He was jailed there during his participation in recent Negro voter registrations activities and later released.

He left Selma Tuesday following a hearing which; he said, was postponed. 'Y'o'u show up for a trial there one week-and they keep cancel; ling it.

On Selma, he said They do the same thing to us there as you do to Indians here:"

Gregory was, here to address University of Nebraska students and a meeting of the Lincoln chapter of the NAACP at the Lincoln Hotel

Wednesday evening He was met at Municipal Amport by NAACP officers Mrs. Hugh Bullock, past plesident of the organization; Mrs. Ernest Edington, 1st vice president and Dr. Pat Wells, 2nd vice president.

Gregory said he thought the slaying of Malcolm X involved much more than had been publicized.

Anytime the FBI and le cret Service get involved this much in something, you can bet it isn't all colored peo-ple," he said:

He mentioned the recent plot involving several Ne-groes which allegedly in-volved blowing up the Lib-efty Bell and other national njonuments with dynamice sinuggled from Canada. "I been colored too long to

'ut's already cracked."

Of the New York shooting of Malcolm X he noted: "This hing is much, much bigger than people think it is:

Negro freedom movement was passed over quickly. "My commitment is to free myself before I free any foreigners," he said with reference to U.S. military activities in Viet nam:

"White people say the Negró doesn't have enough education to be free but not one white man has said anything about the educational level in Vietnam."

Gregory rapped the FBI and their work in the segregation movement. No free society should have a secret him in the back some night police department. he said He termed FBI head J Edgar Hoover the "right wing head of the secret lo-life. You can't walk into the Chicago airport without 20 FBI agents looking at you," he said.

He referred, he said, to the

think we're going to blow up attempts to protect Elijah the Liberty Bell," he said Muhammad leader of the Sit's already cracked." has been threatened:

They protect Huhama mad, he said, but don't give King (Nobel prize win ner Dr. Martin Luther King) His own involvement in the any protection at all. I can't figure it out."

Gregory said he was flying to: New York: City Wednesday evening where he would speak several days before going to Miami, Fla, Later, next week, he said, he would meet with Justice Dept officials in Washington, D.C., to discuss loopholes in recent Civil Rights legislation.

A Mississippi Negro can vote now for President, Greg-ory said. "But he can't vole the gun out of the sheriffs hand who's going to shoot (Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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# lf Not In Selma Jail, Comedian Will Be Here

One of the nation's top comedians, Dick Gregory, is scheduled to make two appearances in Lincoln Wednes day — if he's not in jail in Selma, Ala; where he is scheduled to appear in court Tuesday:

Sponsors of the two Lincoln appearances report they have

appearances report they have had no word from Gregory cancelling the appearances here, so they assume he will be present.

. He was arrested in Selma, where mia's s-arrests have marked Negro-voter/registration drives, last Tuesday on a disorderly conduct charge He was later released on bail.

Gregory, a Negro comedian whose shows are usually laced with humor based on r ace problems, is to speak at 3.30 p.m. Wednesday at the University of Nebraska Union unden the sponsorship of that organization's Talks and Topics Committee.

An evening appearance at 8 p.m. at the Lincoln Hotel ballroom is under sponsroship of the Lincoln Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored Peo

Lt. Col. Paul Adams, local NACP president said Greg oly had informed him the eve ning appearance would be as a comedian not a lecturer. Gregory known especially for night club and television

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UNITED STATES GOVERT DeLoach  $\it 1emorandum$ Casper Mr. DeLoach DATE: 2-24-65 FROM DICK GREGORY SUBJECT: Mr. Herman Edelsberg of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) furnished you a copy of a memorandum from , a staff man in the ADL Miami Office, to Arnold Forster, prominent official of the ADL. The memorandum was dated 1-20-65 and concerned a meeting between Dick Gregory and at 2 a.m. on 1-18-65. The interview is summarized as follows: Gregory claims that the assassination of President Kennedy was master-7 minded by Director Hoover and H. L. Hunt (the Texas ôil millionaire). Gregory had a brief case in which he claimed there were documents to support his statements; however, the material he showed was a little more than copies of previously publicized information including a "Life" magazine cover which showed Lee Harvey Oswald holding a rifle with a telescopic sight. Gregory claims that the telescopic sight had been drawn in for the "Life" cover. Other data he had included a copy of the Warren Commission Report, but he showed nothing to would support his oppinions. 滔 FIELD According to Gregory the Warren Commission has two reports and full knowledge of the Director's and Hunt's participation in the assassination but the Commission felt that by releasing the true facts "chaos" would result in the country. The alleged reason that the Director was one of the plotters was because of a falling out with the Kennedys. Gregory claims that prior to the assassination President Johnson was also aware of the plot but powerless to stop it because exposing it would be to admit that the FBI and intelligence hierarchy really controlled the country. Gregory further claimed to have a document written regarding true facts of the assassination, apparently written as a story prepared in the year 2505 a falling out with the Kennedys. Gregory claims that prior to the assassination A.D. When pinned down, Gregory later reluctantly admitted the document was but was based on irrefutable proof. Trying to lend importance to written by his the document, he claimed that a man in Miami was killed for having the document in his possession. Gregory further claimed that the FBI knows he has all this evidence, has put him under constant surveillance and in the near future will put an end to his life. Other statements were to the effect that most Agents who leave the FBI 1 - Mr. DeLögch XEROX EX. - 109 18 MAR 5 1965 Continued

M. A. Jones to DeLoach memo Re: DICK GREGORY

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This is, of course, just another instance of Dick Gregory's unfounded, vicious attacks concerning the FBI and the Director. It is obvious from just reading the diatribe put out by Gregory that he is mentally unbalanced. It is pointed out in an attached note to Arnold Forster concerning the memo, a representative of the NAACP, after being told that Gregory was telling some rather startling stories, laughed and said that in the NAACP Gregory is regarded as a complete nut and they try not to work with him. Apparently Gregory has been a source of embarrassment to the NAACP and they feel that sometimes his activities are more harmful than helpful. It would obviously do no good to talk to Gregory about this interview and it is felt that it should be given no cognizance.

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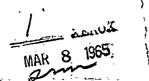
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Incredulous as it appears, I give you the above report as background if you want to pursue it further.

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To: SAC, Cleveland

From: Director, FBI

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Enclosed herewith are 2 copies of a self-explanatory communication and some literature which is to be furnished to captioned individual.

Contact captioned individual and acknowledge receipt of her letter. Advise her that regulations of the Department of Justice pertaining to the confidential nature of the information contained in FBI files precludes the public disclosure of the individuals to whom Dick Gregory has referred. Furnish her the enclosed literature and advise her further that she may wish to refer to my books, "Masters of Deceit" and "A Study of Communism," which should provide her with an insight into communist strategy and tactics in this country and abroad. They may be available at her local library.

In view of the allegation contained in captioned individual's letter with regard to the recruiting activities of the Young Socialist Alliance, you should determine from her whether she has any information of interest to this Bureau. Your inquiries in this regard should be conducted in accordance with the stipulations set forth in Section 187C of the Manual of Instructions. It should be noted that the Young Socialist Alliance is the youth group of the Socialist Workers. Party which has been cited pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Captioned individual is not identifiable in Bufiles. The Dick Gregory to whom she refers is the well-known entertainer who has made defamatory and untruthful remarks concerning me as Director of the FBI. He has been active in the civil rights movement.

Submitthe results of your contact with captioned individual to reach

the Eureau no later than 3/2

Follow-up made for 2/23/65 See enclosures & note next page.

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Enclosures:

2 copies of self-explanatory communication List of Subversive Organizations October, 1964 LEB Introduction Communism and the Knowledge to Compat It! Young People Can Help Defeat Communism One Nation's Response to Communism

NOTE: Bufiles contain nothing derogatory concerning correspondent and by our outgoing of 12/14/64, she was thanked for her support and furnished some reprint material.

Mr. Belmor Mr. Callahai February 3, 1965 Mr. Conrad. Mr. Felt. Mr. Gale. Mr. Rosen! Mr. Sullivan Mr. Tavel J. Edgar Hoover Mr. Trotter. Department of Justice Tele. Room. Tederal Burgau of Investigation Miss Holmes Washington, D. C. Miss Gandy: DICK GREGORY Dear Mr. Hoover: -I watched "The Regis Philbin Show" tonight, and they featured Mr. Dick C egory. Mr. Gregory used his usual diet of liberal humor, but the thing that bothered me was when he referred to the F.B.I. implicating there were communists in the civil rights movement, and then preceded to say he has said to you imparticular, if this is so then name the organizations and who are the infiltrators - in his words "name rames". I think you or someone else in the Justice Department should provide Mr. Gregory with the information of the workings of the F. B. I. instead of allowing this man to go on nationwide television and more or less continue to ridicule and undermine the F.B.I., and you personally. I would appreciate your sending me any literature you think I may like to read to enable my further knowledge of the Communist movement in America. I would particularly like a copy of the Attorney-General's list of Subversive Organizations as the latest one I have is dated 1961. I think it should be noted that the Young Socialist Alliance is working extensively recruiting on the Ohio State Campus. I got this information from a student at the college who has been approached many times. I do not know if this is of any interest to you or not. My sincere thanks. b7C NOT RECORDED Cleveland 10, Ohio 184 FEB 12 1965 Please refer to my letter to you of 12/5/64.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Omaha, Nebraska February 25, 1965

Dick Gregory Appearance at Lincoln, Nebraska, February 24, 1965

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 24, 1965, that Dick Gregory, comedian, flew to Lincoln, Nebracka, from Selma, Alabama, on Wednesday, February 24, 1965, where he was scheduled to speak before the Lincoln, Nebraska, Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People at their February monthly meeting held at the baliroom of the Lincoln Hotel. Earlier in the afternoon he spoke on the University of Nebraska campus at the Student Union where his talk was sponsored by the "Talks and Topics Committee." Following his evening appearance on February 24, 1965, he was to fly to New York City.

Oregory appeared as scheduled and his reported comments were set out in articles in "The Lincoln Journal," Lincoln, Nebraska, evening newspaper, page one, issue of February 24, 1965, and "The Lincoln Star," Lincoln, Nebraska, morning newspaper, page one, issue of February 25, 1965, and in the "Omaha World-Herald," Omaha, Nebraska, daily newspaper, morning issue of February 25, 1965, on page thirty-one.

According to reporters, fregory said the American race problem is not a case of "black against white," but "right against wrong" and the recent Civil Rights Act "hasn't satisfied minority groups because it represents getting 64¢ change for a dollar. It's freedom in the installment plan. He also reportedly "lashed out" at J. Edgar Hoover and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, stating "Any organization headed by a 'right winger' isn't going to be fair. He says communists have infiltrated the Civil Rights movement. He should say which groups specifically instead of making a blanket statement. I have a complete distrust of the FBI. Racial murders are one of the easiest crimes to solve, yet it takes them nine months to come up with anything," referring to the case in Mississippi He also called for an investigation of the recent murder of Malcolm X (Little), head of the Organization of Afro-American Unity, but not by the FBI. He also noted no society should have a "secret police department" and termed FBI Head Hoover as the "right wing head of the secret police." "You can't walk into Chicago airport without 20 FBI Agents looking at you"

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Re: Dick Gregory

Gregory also spoke out against capital punishment and noted the fact that churches are segregated as to race. He said that "the Negro in the South, through his voter registration drive, will tree the northern Negro and then the Negro will free white America." He also stated that "football is the only fair sport"where the "Negro can chase a white and have 40,000 cheer."

He spoke of Selma, Alabama as the battleground for the Civil Rights movement for the next five or six months. He also protested that the FBI protected leaders of one Negro movement but did not give KING (MARTIN LUTHER KING, Nobel prize winner) any protection at all and stated, "I can't figure it out."

Following the meeting it was reported that he was going to New York for several days before going to Miami, Florida, and that later next week he was to go to Washington, D. J. to speak with Department of Justice officials on the "loopholis" in the recent Civil Rights legislation."

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

Mr. Tolson Mr. Belmont FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Mr. Mohr= U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Mr. DeLoach COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Casper\_ b6 M. Callahan 1965 MAY 3 b7C r. Conrad. BIA006 1230P EDT MAY 3 65 (03)AB087 A Miss Gandy Z GTAOO6/PD GEORGETOWN SOCAR 3 1056A EST J EDGAR HOOVER 90. ÉBI AXXFBI DIRECTOR WASHDC I ADVOCATE AND ENCOURAGE ALL FBI AGENTS TO GO AFTER DICK GREGORY IN FULL FORCE. LET NOT ANY ONE STOP YOU Carolinian -motel (58). 440425 REC- 28 THE DIRECTOR 15 3T R.1 MAY 5 1196578 1 02 HVX 3 MR. MOHR FOR THE DIRECTOR HEC. F. C. III. 14.

Mr. Tolson Mr. Remanis Mr. Whi 1 Mr. DeLoach Mr. Casper Mr. Callahan Mr. Conrad . Mr. Felt. Mr. Gale Mr. Rosen Hay 5, 1965 Mr. Sullivan Mr. Tavel . Mr. Trotter \_ Tele. Room. Miss Holmes Miss Gandy President Lyndon Johnson Lachington, 1.0 Dear Mr. President; re: Lick Gregory in Dogalusa, La. On May 2, 1765 the co-called negro comedian came to our state and made some remarks about our FBI agents which are not in keeping with good government. In calling Mr. Hoover "the lousiest dog that ever lived" is resented by the writer as is by many other Louisiana citizens. Some check should be made on this type of character as he must be sick. If Mr. Moover has no recourse in the courts, some should be provided. Sincorely, b6 b7C hate Charles La park and 100-440423-28 RECT 19 3 24 PH 55

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Honorable Jessie Cutrer Mayor

Bogalusa, Louisiana

My dear Mayor:

Inspector Robert E. Wick has advised me of your telephone call of May 5th concerning intemperate remarks made about me recently by an individual visiting your community. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your confidence in my administration of the FBI and you may be assured your action is indeed appreciated by the personnel of this Bureau.

> Sincerely yours, J. Edgar Hoover

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1 - New Orleans

1 - Mr. DeLoach

NOTE: No derogatory information appears in Bufiles concerning Mayor Cutrer. There is no record of any prior correspondence. Files were checked thoroughly in order to locate his forthcoming letter; however, none could be located.

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DO-6 OFFICE OF DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE May 5, 1965 4:22PM MR. CONRAD Mayor JESSIE CUTRER of Bogalusa, Louisiana, telephoned through Secretary<sup>a</sup>. for the Director. MR. TAVEL Per the Director's instructions, the Mayor was advised of his absence, and MR. JONES offered the services of an assistant, which ROOM he accepted. The call was referred to MISS HOLME Mr. Wick in Mr. DeLoach's Office. MISS GANDY Mr. Wick advised that the Mayor mentioned the intemperate remarks by Dick Gregory concerning the Director. The Mayor said that the negro and white population of Bogalusa, both then and now, have brought about Twave of indignation against Mr. Gregory since his remarks concerning the Director. Mr. Cutrer apologized for the actions of Mr. Gregory while he was in his town, and is going to write the Director a letter concerning this matter. REW: oae EX 110 18 MAY 12 1965 ack 5-11-65 8TP:

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Cleveland 13, Ohio
Dear

Your note of May 4th, with enclosure, has been received, and I want to thank you for your kind comments concerning our work. My associates and I are pleased we have your support and hope that our future efforts will continue to merit your approval.

Sincerely yours, J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. Conrad. Baton Rouge, La. Mr. Felt. May 3, 1965 Mr. Gale.. Mr. Rosen. Mr. Sullivan Director Mr. Tavel\_ Federal Bureau of Investigation Mr. Trotter\_ Department of Justice Tele. Room ... Miss Holmes. Washington, D. C. Miss Gandy. Dear Sir: If you have not already received a copy of this article appearing in the Baton Rouge, La. "Morning Advocate" on May 2, I thought you might be intersted in seeing it. As a Citizen and a Federal Employee it disgusts me to see you and your fine organization maligned by an unreasonable person, as well as advocate the direspect for the Law. Sincerely yours attachment

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By GIBBS ADAMS

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Baton Rouge, La. May 6, 1965

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Morning Advocate May 2, 1965 Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The enclosed article appeared in today's Cleveland Press. I don't know how it could be worked, but I believe it would be good for our country if you had a public relations department in the F.B.I composed of about five men who are good speakers, and experts జ్ఞ on the menace of communism and pseudo-liberalism who would speak on college and university campuses to defend the F.B.I., and to attack the conspitorial views of communists and fellow travelers OT by exposing the students to the truth. We need some experts to counteract the communists and the fellow travelers who are lodged

in churches, schools, communications media etc. Although members

of the "political underworld" fight among themselves as to how to force socialism down our throats, the communists, socialists, and pseudo-liberals stand together and help each other when under at tack by those who believe in the free enterprise system, and constitutional .government.

Som<u>e</u>one must expose their false philosophy who is an expert and who; can defend the F.B.I. at the same time.

We are tired of the constant attacks upon the F.B.I., and would like someone to speak to students to attack the leftsets, and REC. 47 600 -440423. defend the F.B.I. EX 110 MENCLOSURE

P:S. You are busy -- no reply to this letter necessary.

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# OhioU.to Allow Nazi to Speak on Campus

By BUD WEIDENTHAL

The president of Ohlo University has reaffirmed the right of student groups to invite controversial speakers to the campus on the eve of the appearance of George Lincoln Rockwell, head of the American Nazi Party.

Tomorrow's speech by Rockwell and the scheduled appearance of Ohio Communist leader Anton Krchmarek on Apr. 28 have caused a controversy in the Athens

But a spokesman for the university said ticket sale for the Nazi's speech was brisk and a full house was content of speeches made by expected in the 2800 seat those speakers. Memorial Hall on the campus. Tickets are 25 cents:

Invitations to the Nazi and; the Communist were sent by tudents of Bush Hall dormitory. Both meetings were provediapproved by the dormitory. pus. Affairs Committee.

A SPOKESMAN released this statement from Presiing administration policy:

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"To do so would be to put the university in the position of endorsing the beliefs or opinions, of those speakers whose appearances are ap-

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David Keller, director of dent Vernon R. Alden defin- public relations at Ohio U. said there was no indication of organized opposition to the "While the university re speeches on campus, But, quires, that, student groups he said, there has been some follow specified regulations letters of protest-to the students

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Florence, South Carolina

Dear

Your letter of May 5th, with enclosure, has been received, and your support of the work performed by this Bureau is appreciated by all of us in the FBI.

It is gratifying to know you found my books of interest. It is also reassuring to learn of your concern about the communist conspiracy, since all Americans must become aware of its objectives and operations if they are to resist its eroding influence. I am enclosing literature, some of which includes suggestions all of us can consider in combating this evil.

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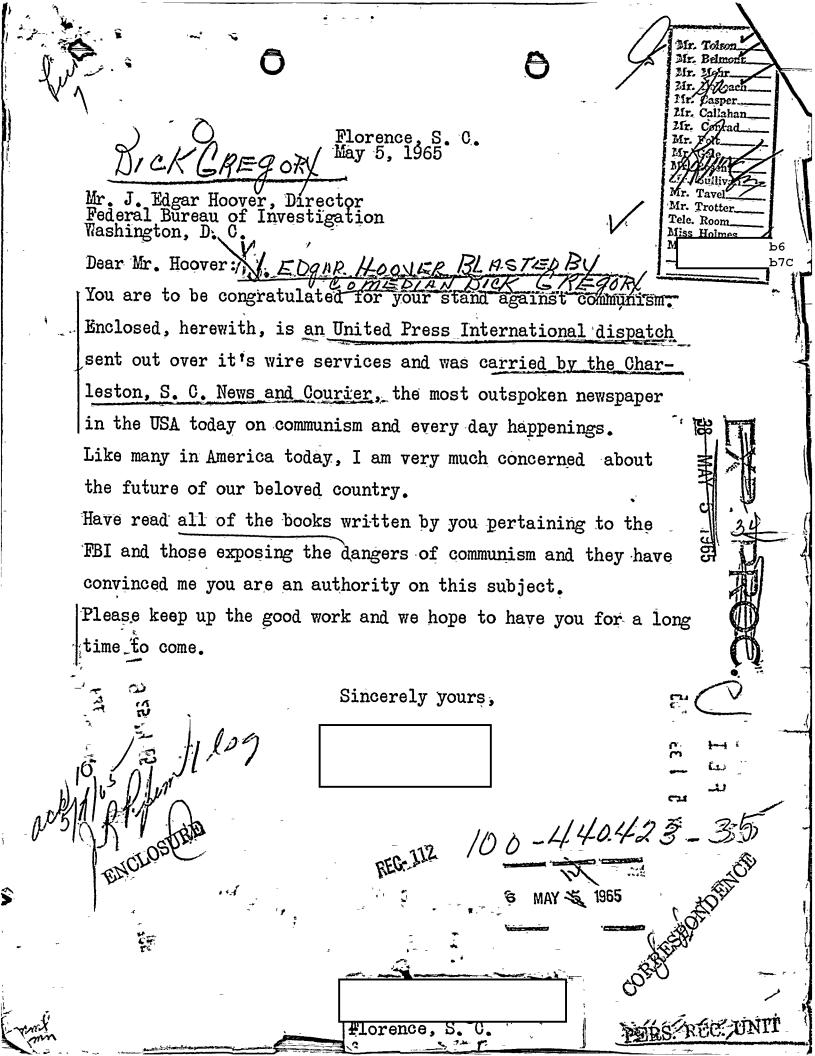
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# Edgar Hoover Blasted Comedian Dick Gregor

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week to set up negotiations beween Negroes and whites.

Gregory; who left after the rally to return to Philadelphia. said the only thing Negroes can be thankful for about the FBI director is that Hoover is 71 years old.

Gregory also lashed out at a Bogalusa Negro minister who criticized CORE for using teen agers in street demonstrations and at older Bogalusa Negroes who have taken no part in recent racial demonstrations.

Rev. W. A. Nelson, pastor of the Mount Moriah Baptist Church, last week struck out at CORE for using "children" in the civil rights movement in Bogalusa

Gregory said Nelson and other Negro ministers who have boycotted demonstrations were "Uncle Toms", which he defined as "Cats, who use finesse and trickery."

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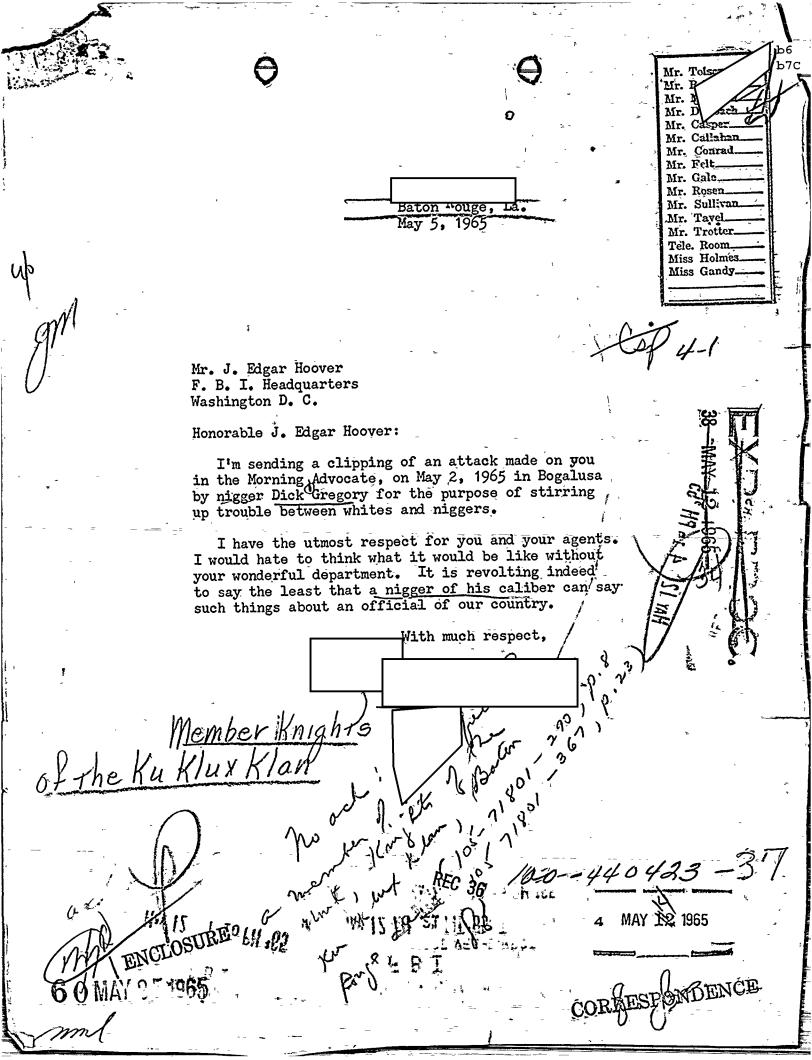
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I feel that you, as one of our Senators, as well as all of the other elected officials from our State, should make some kind of effort to stop such invaders as we have had to contend with in our State recently, as we have no use for such intruders or visitors.

I object with all my being such a thing as this man has done, and feel that my objections are valid and should be made known to the persons in position to do something about it.

Respectfully.

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cc: Honorable James H. Morrison, Representative
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PATON ROUGE 2. LOUISIANA

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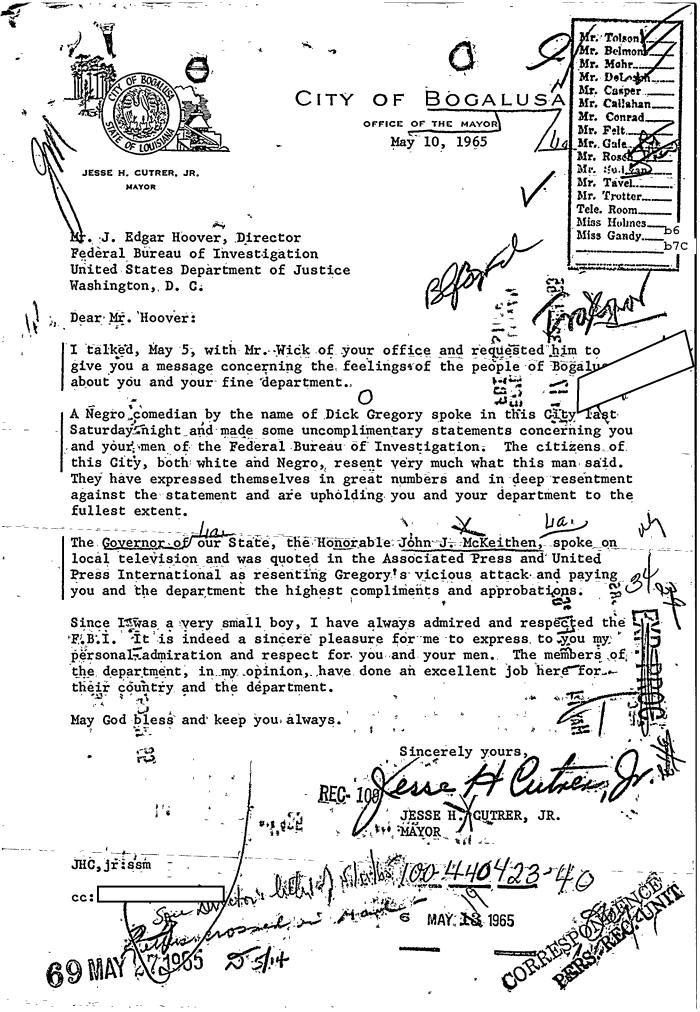
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The Bureau has conducted several investigations of alleged civil rights violations in which Gregory was the victim claiming police brutality and discrimination. Reports of all our inquiries have been furnished the Civil Rights Division of the Department.

Indicative of Gregory's character, are statements made in April, 1964, to racial demonstrators in Gary, Indiana, to the effect that if churches did not cooperate in making space available for freedom day classes, racial demonstrators should "kick down the doors of the churches."

#### RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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## **DETAILS**

Gregory has not been investigated by the FBI; however, Bureau files contain voluminous references concerning his activities in connection with the civil rights movement. Set forth below is a summary of information contained in these references.

#### BACKGROUND

Gregory was born 10/12/32 at St. Louis, Missouri. According to "Current Biography, 1962" he was educated in the grammar schools in that city, spent two years in the U. S. Army and then returned to Southern Illinois University where he was a track star. He reportedly dropped out of this institution in 1956 due to low grades. He then went to Chicago where he worked for the U. S. Post Office but was fired for impersonating his colleagues and purposely misdirecting mail. After a series of odd jobs, some of them in the entertainment field, he finally became a success as a comedian in January, 1961, while working at the Chicago's Playboy Club. He mostly plays the night club circuit and is allegedly known as the "Negro Mort Sahl." (100-440423-8)

In an autobiography recently released, Gregory gives somewhat of an insight into his character by proclaiming that his wife, Lillian, was four-months pregnant when she told him of her pregnancy and thereafter they were married. Also in certain portions of the book, Gregory lapses into gutter language and a review of the publication revealed no great thoughts or solutions to the race problem. The title of the publication, published by E. P. Dutton and Company, Incorporated, New York, is "Nigger." (100-440423-23)

## ASSOCIATIONS WITH MUSLIM ORGANIZATIONS

In August, 1962, an official of the Nation of Islam allegedly stated that Dick Gregory was a sympathizer of that group. (25-330971-6121)

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The 11/15/62 issue of "Muhammed Speaks," a publication of the Nation of Islam, contained a news item reporting that Gregory had joined white and Negro leaders in protesting the conviction of journalist William Worthy who was sentenced to jail for visiting Cuba without the consent of the U. S. State Department. The article indicated that Gregory would walk a picket line in front of a New York hotel protesting the granting of an award to the then Attorney General, Kennedy, for "advancing human freedom." In the opinion of the picketeers, Attorney General Kennedy "failed on many occasions to act promptly, strongly, and decisively to safeguard and extend human freedom," and listed among the alleged failures was the "current harassment of William Worthy, Boston-born newspaperman." (105-20110-A).

The Organization of Afro-American Unity, a militant civil rights action group of which the late Muslim leader, Malcolm X. Little, was chairman, on 12/13/64 sponsored a public meeting in New York City. After a talk by Malcolm X criticizing the United States position with respect to the Congo and likening the struggle for independence by the Africans with the struggle for freedom by Afro-Americans in the United States, Dick Gregory spoke at length chiefly concerning law enforcement and the racial situation in the South. It is noted that at this meeting, Malcolm X also read a communication allegedly a greeting sent him by Cuban Minister of Industry Ernesto "Che" Guevara who apparently had been invited to attend. (100-399321-215)

Dick Gregory was among those attending funeral services for Malcolm X Little after the leader's assassination on 2/21/65. (100-399321-302)

### ACT

In a television interview 3/24/64, Malcolm X Little advised he had attended a conference of various civil rights leaders in Chester, Pennsylvania, on 3/14/64, which conference was also attended by Dick Gregory. At this conference a new militant civil rights organization named "Act" was formed for the purpose of acting anytime, anywhere, and in any manner to bring about results in the civil rights field. Subsequent news articles identified Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, Dick Gregory and Malcolm X as consultants for Act. (100-442529-286)

Subsequent to the formation of Act, Gregory has appeared at many of its functions as a speaker. It is noted that information was received 2/25/65 that Washington Act will sponsor a rally in Washington, D. C., on 5/27/65, to which rally Dick Gregory has been invited. (100-441968; 157-6-53-559)

In December, 1964, the Chicago branch of Act was directly involved in the Christmas for Mississippi project wherein a large number of turkeys and toys were sent to needy Negro families in Mississippi. Gregory was most active in the project and he and his family accompanied the shipment to Mississippi and participated in the distribution of the food and toys. Gregory reportedly stated upon arrival in Jackson, Mississippi, on 12/23/64 that the turkey project was being carried out by himself, columnist Drew Pearson and actor Sammy Davis, Jr., to "call attention to poverty period." (157-2337)

### CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY (CORE)

Gregory, since entering the civil rights movement, has spoken on numerous occasions at Congress of Racial Equality rallies and participated in the activities of that organization. In 1964 Gregory announced that he was contributing thirty days of entertainment time from 9/14/64 to 10/14/64 in behalf of the Congress of Racial Equality and the Negro cause on a national basis. (100-440423-15)

### MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

Gregory at various times has been involved in the promotion of rent strikes, economic boycotts, sit-ins, picket lines and other forms of protest. He has also demonstrated recently against capital punishment in connection with other civil rights groups. He accompanied the freedom marchers in the recent march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, and according to a Drew Pearson column, 3/27/65, stated after being released from the Selma jail that he, Gregory, had been in 24 or 27 jails; he could not remember which. FBI Identification Record 796519E concerning Dick Gregory reveals, however, only three arrests; one each in Birmingham, Alabama, San Francisco, California, and Selma, Alabama. It is assumed that Gregory was not fingerprinted during the majority of his arrests. (140-440423; 157-6-28-885; 94-8-350-A)

## ATTACKS UPON THE DIRECTOR AND THE FBI

In May, 1964, Gregory sent a telegram to the Director stating the Director "created several major distortions by announcing that there were communists connected with the civil rights movement in America." He challenged the Director to identify these communists and demanded that this be done or else the statement be retracted. This demand was not dignified with a reply and the Director noted that Gregory should be ignored. (100-420423-6,7)

In news conferences in August, 1964, Gregory again attacked the Bureau in connection with the three murdered civil rights workers in Mississippi. Gregory claimed to have furnished us with information eventually leading to the finding of the bodies and information identifying the killers. In this instance, he demanded that Congress investigate the FBI. Gregory did furnish information to the Bureau in connection with this case, however, the information furnished was of no value.

In January, 1965, Gregory allegedly made statements to the effect that the assassination of President Kennedy was masterminded by the Director and H. L. Hunt (the Texas oil millionaire). Gregory further claimed the Warren Commission had prepared two reports of its findings and had full knowledge of the foregoing but did not release the "true" facts. Gregory made other fantastic statements along this same vein and the Director commented that Gregory is obviously insane.

Various news accounts have repeatedly reported other critical remarks by Gregory calling the FBI a secret police department and calling the Director a "right-winger." (100-440423)

## CIVIL RIGHTS CASES IN WHICH GREGORY LISTED AS VICTIM

On 2/21/64 Attorney General Robert Kennedy, through his secretary, requested the Bureau to interview Dick Gregory who had been incarcerated with others from 2/17 to 2/21/64 at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, in connection with an attempt to integrate a restaurant at Pine Bluff. Gregory had called the Attorney General and complained to him about conditions in the Pine Bluff jail. Gregory was subsequently interviewed and a signed statement taken dated 2/21/64 wherein he complained of a white prisoner

who had allegedly been beaten by prison authorities. Gregory also complained an alleged brutality against himself in that he had been placed in solitary confinement, had no water in the cell and had nothing to drink for two days. He stated he was fed one sandwich a day. He also complained he had been unable to contact his lawyer. It developed that Gregory wanted to be imprisoned as the sheriff who arrested him noted that Gregory had sufficient funds to be released on bond and was encouraged to do so by the sheriff so the sheriff would not have to place him in jail. Copies of our reports were made available to the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, the last one being 3/17/64. (44-24630)

Gregory was arrested by the Birmingham Police Department on 5/6/63 in connection with a racial demonstration. public accusations when he was subsequently released on 5/9/63 to the effect he had been beaten while confined to the Birmingham City Jail. The chief warden of the jail stated that Gregory was considered a "model prisoner." Gregory made no complaint of the food or of his treatment to any jail official while a prisoner. Representatives of the press who attended Gregory's press conference immediately after his release stated that they observed no injuries on his person and that Gregory had been confused when questioned concerning which arm he claimed was Airport attendants at Birmingham who observed Gregory departing on 5/9/63 stated he appeared physically normal in all respects; no injuries were noted and he was in jovial spirits. The United States Attorney at Birmingham expressed views that the facts of the civil rights cases were without prosecutive merit. (44-22002)

On 2/11/65 the Department requested a preliminary investigation concerning the refusal on the part of the Burger Boy Drive-In restaurant located in Savannah, Georgia, to serve Negroes. On 2/9/65 Dick Gregory with 15 Negroes staged a sit-in at the aforementioned restaurant. Our report has been furnished to the Civil Rights Division of the Department in this matter. (173-694)

Gregory on 2/15/65 was allegedly refused reservations at the Holiday Inn located in Selma, Alabama. In a subsequent discussion with the proprietors of that establishment, Gregory was arrested for disorderly conduct by the Selma Police Department. He allegedly was struck a "blow in the back" by the fist of a Selma officer on 2/16/65. A report of our preliminary investi-

gation in the matter has been furnished the Civil Rights Division of the Department and no further investigation has been requested. (173-694)

There are numerous references to Dick Gregory in Bureau files. However, they deal principally with his involvement in racial demonstrations. Many times it appears he purposely submits himself to arrest and jail, many times arriving at the scene of the disturbance after police have taken away the initial demonstrators. In April, 1964, in a speech to approximately 450 persons attending racial demonstrations in Gary, Indiana, Gregory urged that if churches did not cooperate in making space available for freedom day classes, racial demonstrators should "kick down the doors of the churches." (100-440423-8)

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Comedian Dick Gregory made some serious charges against the FBI and its director J. Eddygar Hoover at a Negro rally in Bogalusa, La. Gregory called the FBI "the biggest trick going" and referred to FBI agents as "thugs." The comedian also said that FBI director J. Edgar Hoover was "one of the lousiests dogs, that ever, existed."

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Washington, D. C.--

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Can't you do something about all this?

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In the days of vaudeville a comic who was not doing too well was likely to hear from the back row this cry: "Louder and funnier!" On the basis of comedian Dick Gregory's performance in Bogalusa, we would say that he is plenty loud but not very funny or very much of anything else good. His speech was one of the most demagogic, intolerant and unfair that we have ever heard of in connection with the civil rights movement. It was a blatant display of ignorance and Smart Aleckism and plainly intended to interrupt peaceful settlement of racial problems in Bogalusa. Gregory is one of those who feel they have a stake in continued turmoil. That is his hobby horse and -he is riding it for all he's worth.

In his talk he referred to FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover as a "lousy dog" and to FBI agents as "thugs." Mayor J. H. Cutrer of Bogalusa, he added is an 'Uncle Tom." The Rev. W. J. Nelson, Negrominister who last week denounced the use of children in street demonstrations, is "a clown." The adult leaders of the Negro community in Bogalusa are "Uncle Toms" and Gregory, in his own words, hopes that they will all "die soon" so the civil rights movement:"can go forward."

Interspersed in all this was a lot of "hip" talk in which individuals and populations were mentioned as "cats." The "Uncle Toms," he added, are like a 4-F "who stays back and lets someone else do all the fighting and then he collects all the benefits from the G-I bill." For the record, this is the first we have heard that anyone classified 4.F in the draft was eligible for anything under

the G-I bill. What's bothering Gregory, of course, is the same thing that has been bothering James Farmer, another volunteer Moses. The older Negroes in Bogalusa are having little or nothing to do with the demonstrations. A very large percentage of the marchers and pickets have been youths and children. A recent news photo showed one of them marching down the street carrying a large sign which read "We Want Jobs Now." He was a 12-year-old kid.

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Editor, Morning Advocate: I was shocked by the reported ulterances of Mr. Dick Gregory about Mr. J. Edgar Hoover and the Rev. W. J. Nelson, Such name - calling, McCarthyism, character assassination and mud-slinging cannot help but reflect upon the whole Civil Rights movement. Have we not had enough of this already? What would it profit us if we

gain our civil rights and yet lose our rights to dessent? Would we allow such totalitarian methods to be used to acquire democratic goals?

SIDNEY S. DOIN Southern University

When Readers Speak:

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red to FBI agents as "thugs"; and he also took to task a Bogalusa Negro minister, Rev. W. Ji Nelson, who last week criticized the use of children in street demonstrations, and said Negro ministers who are having no part in the street demonstrations he re are Uncle Toms. Gregory s aid "lots of them preachers ain't saying nothing."

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Defines Problem:

Gregory said the civil rights "If he had stood in front of problem is not one of black against white, but of right against wrong:

And, he added, the white man is the slave of the Negro but doesn't know it. A free man, he added, is a man with-out fears, but the white man tears Negroes residing in his neighborhood, going withwhis daughter, eating in his restaurant. Hence, Gregory reasoned, the white man is the slave of the Negro.

He did call for respect of the

law-when it's right; but jurged his hearers to "destroy the law when it's wrong," and said this is in keeping with American tradition, recalling the Boston tea party and the disobedience of American pioneers of British

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I enclose a newspaper clipping of a speech given by a negro, Dick Greggory.

It is a terrible thing that negroes are being allowed to do anything that they wish. This is for your information.

Very truly yours,

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STATE SENATOR OF LOUISIANA

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### Segregationist Group-

## Bogalusa Is Braced For Rally on Friday

BOGALUSA (UPI This paper ical care in jail. You ain't do mill, city on the Mississippi ing nothing but gelting in the border survived a Negro rally way. When you die Lord Faturing Negro comedian Dick knows. I hope it's soon—then this civil rights movement can weekend and them braced it gos forward, he said self for Friday's white segregationist rally.

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The city, which began to suffer with its racial troubles hearly a month ago with Negro demonstrations, marches, and pickets, continued to enjoy a quiet, restful attitude as the result of a three man, me. diation team's attempts to bring Negro and white to the bargaining table. The day may come this week.

SATURDAY: NIGHT; Gregory: stadium for their rally. Friday addresed a rally of some 500 night. It will instead be held Negroes; mostly teen agers and in a shopping center parking young adults, at an empty lot. lot.

He sharply criticized the FBI. Addressing this rally will be a Bogalusa Negro minister, and

the town's older Negroes The FBI, he said, was "the biggest atrick-going -- and - its agents were "thugs." FBI head Edgar: Hoover was called one of the lousiest dogs that

ever existed. Gregory said the only thing Negroes could be thankful for was that Hoover is 71 years.

THE COMEDIAN; who has addressed Negro rallies at some of the South's hottest racial spots, lashed out against Rey. W. A. Nelson, pastor of the Mount Moriah; Baptist, Church here, who last week criticized the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) for using children in civil rights demonstrations.

Gregory said the worst enemy of the white man is the so-called Uncle He tricks white man and colored man He is a four "F" soldier. He stays in the back after soldier. fights and he gets all the GI

FOR OLDER Negroes, Greg ory, also, had sharp words "You ain't never done nothing worth a damn," he said, "but sit around with your mouth full of snuff and with your Bible upside down.

"You" lay up in bed with your rheumatism, high blood pressure You'd get better med

THE RALLY was held in a lot on the north side of town after. Negroes were refused use of a city-owned baseball park.

The city's decision followed a similar position taken by the local school board, which banned controversial or political meetings from school prop-

The board refused the whites user of a high school football stadium for their rally Friday

Addressing this rally will be Dallas County (Selma, Ala.) Sheriff Jim Clark and Plaque mines, Parish political boss and arch segregationist Lean-der H. Perez Sr

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GSA GEN, REG. NO. 27 Tolson Belmont UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT Mohr . Del.oach MemorandumCallaban DATE: 5/20/65 Mr. DeLoach Tavel D. C. Morrell STATE SENATOR HAROLD MONTGOMERY, LOUISIANA By letter dated 5/16/65, captioned individual enclosed a copy of a newspaper article describing Dick-Gregory's irresponsible attack on the Director and the FBI. Montgomery notes this is a terrible thing that Negroes are being allowed to do anything they wish-**BUFILES:** Bufiles indicate that in 1956 Montgomery was listed as a member of the White Citizens Council at Doyline, Louisiana. In 1961 he wrote asking the Director to condemn UNICEF and in 1963 he was listed as a speaker at a meeting of the Ku Klux Klan at Olla, Louisiana. In 1962 correspondent introduced a resolution he called the "Patrick Henry Declaration of 1962" which called for the State Legislature to censure the FBI in regard to its investigation into a bombing incident at Shreveport, Louisiana. The resolution stated among other criticisms:"--outraged by prostitution of the once great FBI and its misuse as a political police force not dissimilar in method and result to the Gestapo or NKVD." An in-absence reply was directed to him in October, 1963 in view of his background. **OBSERVATION: REC 12** 100-440423-46 It would appear that Montgomery is attempting to say "I told you so" in accordance with his apparent Ku Klux Klan sympathies. and is not expecting an answer. 2 MAY 27 1965 RECOMMENDATION: That his communication not be acknowledged; however, that a copy of his letter be sent to New Orleans for their information by the attached routing slip. Enclosure 小学Mr. DeLoach DTP:eic **58** JUN 3

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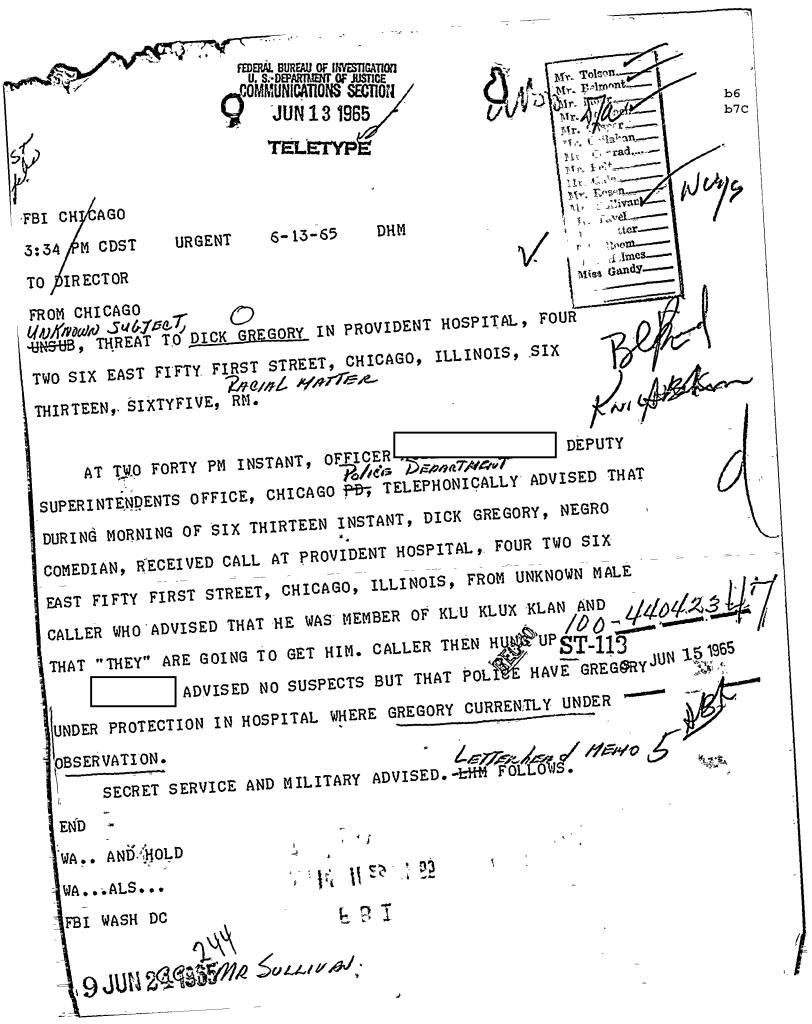
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Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau, 6/10/65.

Enclosed are two copies of each of the below described articles concerning captioned Subject for the Bureau and New Haven.

The publication "Tocsin" self described as "The West's Leading Anti-Communist Weekly" published at Oakland, California.

Volume 6, #19, dated 5/20/65, Page 1

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The son of two veteran Communistfronters is among the scheduled speakers at the University of California's Viet Nam "teach-in" May 21.

Yale history Professor Staughton Lynd, son of Robert S. Lynd and Helen Merrell Lynd, will carry on the family's ideological tradition by appearing in opposition to the U.S. anti-Communist foreign policy. Young Lynd's statements are widely quoted in current left-wing publications, including the No. 3 issue of "Free Student," published by the pro-Viet Cong May 2nd Movement. This organization has been described by a former member as dominated by the pro-Peking Progressive Labor Movement, recently rechristened the Progressive Labor Party.

Staughton Lynd was listed as one of four guests invited to keynote the anniversary celebration of the Communist National Guardian Nov. 24. He was formerly a professor at Spelman College, Atlanta, and coordinated the "Freedom School" agitation in Mississippi last summer. Earlier-he-took-part in the "Oswald was framed" drive launched by the National Guardian.

Robert S. Lynd, his father, is a professor of sociology at Columbia University. He has been affiliated with Communist fronts since at least 1938.

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### THE THEME WAS 'HATE AMERICA'

## 'Viet Nam Day'—Few Surprises

They called it a "teach-in," but it sounded at times more like a compulsive exercise in self-denigration, at others like the shrieks of a sick evangelist sleepwalking into politics.

The University of California's 36-hour "get out of Viet Nam" demonstration chugged to a halt May 22 with these unmemorable pronouncements typifying the views voiced at the meeting:

Comedian-civil rights demonstrator Dick Gregory called J. Edgar Hoover "to me.... probably the most vicious, dangerous man in this country. The only good thing about this man is that he's 71 years old—thank God." He referred to Political Science Professors Robert Scalapino and Eugene Burdick of UC, who withdrew from the meeting in protest of its onesidedness, as "two teachers who copped out."

I. F. Stone, publisher of the ultra-leftwing I. F. Stone's Weekly, termed the war in Viet Nam an "exercise in self-delusion."

#### ARONSON'S CLAIM

James Aronson, editor of the New Yorkbased Communist National Guardian, accused the U.S. press of practicing self-censorship and "withholding the truth about Viet Nam." Aronson is a recent visitor to Chmmunist-held Cuba whose paper launched leftist attorney Mark Lang's "Cswald was framed" drive.

Novelist Norman Mailer came up with his own original analysis of why the U.S. is involved in Southeast Asia. "We are a property-loving nation, obsessed with the desire to destroy other people's proper-

ty," he claimed.

Vincent Lynch, former staff member of Carlton Goodlett's San Francisco Sun-Heporter and a recent visitor to Cuba, told the audience that "knowing white Americal I can't accept the fact that the Viet Cong are wrong." Lynch is a member of the black nationalist Freedom Now party.

Mercifully to some, the voice of Bertrand Russell, the aging philosopher given to overseas sponsorship of American pro-Communist causes, was heard on a recording so scratchy as to be uninteringible.

Among the monotonous voices of hate raised against the U.S. for striving to halt Communist aggression in Viet Nam, none was more relentless than that of young Staughton Lynd, Yale professor who spoke at the University of California's "Viet Nam Day" protest May 22.

Lynd openly advocated obstructing U.S. troops in the performance of their mission.

In what sounded like an updated version of incitement to overthrow the government, he called for the "non-violent" preplacement of U.S. leaders.

As evidence of the ruthlessness of the opposition he advocates, Lynd proposed that U.S. Marines be kept at home because "they're going to be needed."

#### SHEDDING BLOOD

Opponents of U.S. anti-Communist policies should be ready to shed blood he pro-

Lynd was listed as one of four guests invited to speak at the anniversary celebration of the Communist National Guardian last Nov. 24. Formerly a professor at Spelman College, Atlanta, he coordinated the "Freedom School" agitation in Mississippi last summer. He was also a speaker at an "Osward was framed" drive meeting conducted by the National Guardian, Feb.

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The professor's views are frequently quoted by pro-Communist papers, including the No. 3 issue of "Free Student," organ of the militantly pro-Viet Cong May 2nd Movement.

Lynd is the son of two veteran backers of Communist fronts. His father, Columbia Professor Robert S. Lynd, has been affiliated over the past three decades with a number of organizations listed in the House Committee on Un-American Activities' "Guide to Subversive Organizations."

These include the American Committee for Democracy and Intellectual Freedom, American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, American Committee for Yugoslav Relief, American Friends of Spanish Democracy, American Russian Institute, Committee for Peaceful Alternatives to the Atlantic Pact and Council for Pan-

American Democracy.

Also, League of American Writers, National Committee to Repeal the McCarran (Internal Security) Act, National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions, National Emergency Conference for Democratic Rights, New York Conference for Indienable Rights, Spanish Refugee Appeal and Veterans of the Abraham Lincolh Brigade.

Robert Lynd also signed an open letter protesting the ban on Communists in the American Civil Liberties Union, a petition for the defense of Communist schools, a statement of protest against the Attorney General's listing Communist Party schools as subversive and a petition for pardon of identified Communist perjurer Carl Marzani

Staughton Lynd's mother, Helen M. Lynd, of Sarah Lawrence College, has also been affiliated with the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, the American—Committee to Save Refugees and other cited Communist fronts.

REC 36 June 18, 1965 100-440423 In Formani Selma, Alabama 36701 Dear I received your letter of June 12th, with enclosure, and want to thank you for your kind wishes and expression of support of my administration of the FBI. It is hoped our future endeavors will continue to merit such approbation. With respect to the individual you named concerning civil rights matters in your area, it has been my long-standing policy to consider the source of such criticism and consequently. I ignored this. In connection with this, I am enclosing literature I hope will be of interest to you. MAULED 2Z Sincerely yours, JUN 18-1965 COMM-EBL Enclosures (5) 1 - Mobile - Enclosure Our Heritage of Greatness Senator Thomas Dodd's speech on Floor of then Senate Tolson Belmont 12/21/64 U.S. News and World Report 13 5 11 12 Mohr DeLoach The FBI's Role in the Field of Civil Rights Casper April, 1965, LEB Intro RESENED-S REST P NOTE: Correspondent was a complainant in a civil rights case in 1962 (44-2095 TELETYPE UNIT

Mr. Tolson Mr. Belmon Mr. Mohr Mr. DeLoa Mr. Casper Mr. Callah: Mr. Conrad Mr. Felt. Mr. Gale. Mr. Rosen... Mr. Sullivan Mr. Tabé June 12. fr. Tr. Do Drele. R. D7C 367 Selma, Alabama Miss Holmes Miss Gandy\_ Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C. Dear Mr Hoover:-T am, attaching herewith a clipping which was sent to me showing the " snide " remarks this loudmouthed black Dick Gregory made about you recently in Bogalusa It amazes me when people involved in the so called Civil Rights movement(I believe it is a Communist Movement) can call one of our leading citizens and without question one of our greatest public servants like you names such as this and still find themselves in the good graces of such as Katzanbach and his retinue. Hoping this finds you in the best of health, I remain Cordially yours. ට cc:file REC.36 JUN 1965

## Civil Rights Leader Says He Wants Old

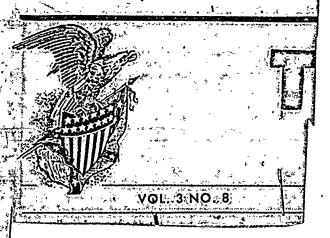
## DICK GREGORY CALLS ONE

BOGALUSA - Negro adults boycotted an inflammatory appear ance here by Dick Gregory, a colored comic! who fumed at

Addressing the older negroes most of whom stayed away-Gregory said You aint never done nothin worth a d--, but sit around with your mouth full of snuff. When you die--Lord knows, I hope it's soon-- then this Civil Rights movement can go forward.

Following his talk, segregationist leaders sent word to older negroes that they hope the two races can continue to live together in harmony and good will as they have done in the past. We wish each of you a long and prosperous life, and want you to know that America affords opportunity for people of ambition, energy and education—white and colored Your greatest hope for prosperity and happiness is among people of your own kind, not in following the footsteps of hate-filled men like Dick Gregory. We congratuate you on your wisdom.

At the sparsely attended race mix rally, Gregory denounced J. Edgar Hoover as "one of the loudsiest dogs that ever existed." He said that the only thing to be thankful for was that Hoover was 71 years old and would soon be dead. (Race-mixers hate Hoover because he isn't as energetic in running errands for them as his immediate superior licholas Katzenbach, and some bf the younger employees of the



Gregory meeting in spite of widespread publicity. Most of them were teenagers and young CORE members from New Orleans.

His appearance was in sharp contrast to throngs of Conservative whites who marched through Bogalusa three days later singding, "Onward, Christian Soldiers", Marching seven abreast, their file was so long that it took nearly 45 minutes to pass one point. They exposed the Bogalusa "crisis" as a leftwing political gimmick, and not as a fight between the whites and colored people of Bogalusa.

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Dear

Your letter of May 5th, with enclosure, addressed to President Johnson has been referred to the FBI and was received on July 2nd. My associates and I are pleased that we have your support, and we hope that our future efforts will continue to meet with your approval.

Sincerely yours,

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J. Edgar Hoover

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President Lyndon Johnson Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

re: Dick Gregory in Bogalusa, La.

On May 2, 1965 the so-called negro comedian came to our state and made some remarks about our FBI agents which are not in keeping with good government. In calling Mr. Hoover "the lousiest dog that ever lived" is resented by the writer as is by many other Louisiana citizens. Some check should be made on this type of character as he must be sick. If Mr. Hoover has no recourse in the courts, some should be provided.

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## Hoover Lousy Dog, According To Negro Comit

BOĞALUSA, La. (UPI) Negro comedian Dick Gregory, who has appeared at a number of the nation's racial trouble spots, deviated from his comic routine during the weekend for some serious charges against the FBI, its director J. Edgar Hoover and the civil rights bill.

Gregory, in a special. appearance at a Negro raily Saturday night, said the FBI was "The biggest trick going," its: agents. were "thugs" and its director was "One of the lousiest dogs that ever existed.

ABOUT 500 persons, mostly teen - agers and young adults, turned out to hear Gregory speak.

Bogalusa, designated a top target of the civil rights. movement by Congress of Racial Equality (C O R E) Director James Farmer, has been quiet since a special three - man mediation team began work last week to set up negotiations between Negroes and whites.

Gregory who left after the rally to return to Philadelphia, said the only th'in g Negroes can be thankful for about the FBI director is that Hoover is 71 years old:

GREGORY ALSO lashed out at a Bogalusa Negro minister who criticized CORE for using teenagers in street demonstrations and at older Bogalusa Negroes who have taken no to get freedom, said the Democratic Primary.



Hoover

Gregory

part in recent racial demonstrations.

Rev. W. A. Nelson, pas tor of the Mount Moriah Baptist Church, last week struck out at CORE for using "children" in the civil rights movement in Bogalusa.

Gregory said Nelson and other Negro ministers who have boycotted demonstrations were "Uncle Toms", which he defined as "Cats who use finesse and trickery."

ATTACKING OLDER Bogalusa Negroes, Gregory' said: ''you ain't hever' done nothing worth a dann but sit around with your mouth full of snuff and with your Bible upside down:

your rheumatism, high blood pressure you'd get For Governorship better medical care in jail. You ain't doing nothing but getting in the way. When you die Lord knows, I hope its soon - then the member of the State Prison civil rights movement can Board, announced his cango, forward;" he, said.

Gregory, who told the day. audience to "turn the town upside down if necessary"

ly a written law and did not guar antee anything. "You can't vote the gun out of the sheriff's hand."

HE SAID the bill provided "freedom on the installment plan while the American Negro is being asked to go to Viet Nam and provide instant freedom for cats, in a foreign land.

America is not saying weare sorry, we want to see justice done. We got a civil rights bill because we shattered business and disrupted the peace all last summer," he said:

The rally was held in an empty lot on the north side of town. Negro leader Orbert Hicks said the city refused permission to use a city - owned baseball park for the rally.

The city's decision followed a similar position taken by the local school board, which banned controversial or political. meetings on school proper-

### "You lay up in bed with Businessman To Try

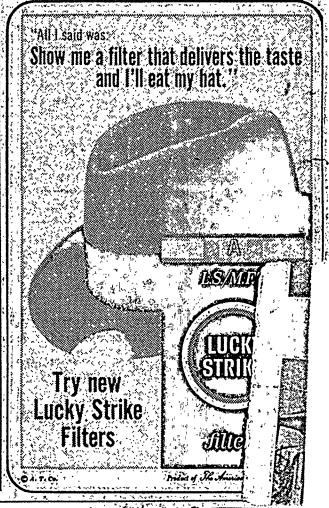
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· Woods said his candidacy is subject to the May, 1966

civil rights bill was mere A segregationist rally set forney and a state labor for next week will be held on a shopping center parking lot because school officials denied the group set the groundwork for the use of a high school football stadium.

leader-met with attorneys for the city and the Bogalusa (Negro) civic and voters league last week to sessions aimed at solving the town's racial problems.

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August 2, 1965 REC 18 100-440423-50 b6 Racine, Wisconsin 53403 b7C Dear Your letter of July 27th, with enclosure, has been received. It is indeed encouraging to know of your support, and I want to thank you for your generous comments concerning my administration of the FBI. I hope that my future endeavors continue to merit such approbation. Sincerely yours, J. Edgar Hooyer 1 - Milwaukee - Enclosures (2) "I - Mr. Sullivan - Enclosures (2) NOTE: There is no record of correspondent in Bufiles, The enclosure is-an article concerning Dick Gregory, who is well known to the Bureau, and sets forth some of his remarks in his speech at Racine, Wisconsin. LS:mel(5)TELETYPE UNIT

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Racine, Wisconsin July 27, 1965

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
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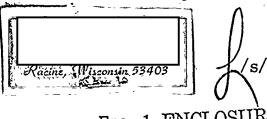
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While I certainly recognize his right to appear here or anywhere else he chooses, I do not understand how he could make some of the threats he made without being arrested. It is my understanding that if a person is over-heard making a threat against the life of the president of the United States, he is immediately taken into custody - and rightly so. It is also my understanding that a person who boards a plane and says - even in a joking manner - that he has a bomb in his luggage, he is immediately taken into custody.

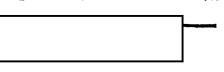
Now here, Sir, is a man who threatens our entire country and he is free to go on to his next "assignment." I realize that you are powerless to make arrests, but I do wish to call this matter to your attention. I have talked to quite a large number of people since Mr. Gregory spoke here and all of them feel the same sense of SHOCK that I am experiencing.

May I take this opportunity to commend you, Sir, for your excellent record of service and dedication to our Country. I, for one, feel much safer knowing that an honest, up-right person - Mr. J. Edgar Hoover - is at the head of our wonderful F. B. I.



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CC-MR. BRENNAN



On the speakers platform at Memorial Hall Sunday night were, from left, comedian Dick Gregory; attorney Theodore Harris, moderator; of the programt and Julian Thomas, president of the Racine branch of the NAACP. Asked what his five children do while he is touring the country, Gregory replied, "Picket."

Makes Implied Threat:

## Gregory Gives U.S. 5 Years to Solve Negro Plight, or Else

By John M. Pavlik Journal-Times Staff

"hung up" on getting full cit-really starting to stink.

time they'll solve them themselves," he told his au-

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Gregory had put it stronger ress Either we get it within the

civili rights leader spoke in keep on going to Viet Nam to People of Memorial Hall for two hours guarantee some foreigner in Sunday night to about 400 stant freedom while our black persons who remained quiet kids are getting it on the inand attentive despite the heat stallment plan, you're wrong

another joke. "Now that on wearing it and the shoe they've put the lid on it you will wear out." (Additional Picture Page 1) have to throw your garbage got a callous around his soul.

The American Negro is in your own backyard and it's and the shoe better back up.

"In America today the Negro dies seven years young the country one day but er than white folks. You gon-

next, five years," he said, "or progress; the white folks are like in Russia."

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Asked, before his talk, "hung up" on getting full citizenship, under the Constitution, and unless he gets it
the country will be lost comedian Dick Gregory said in
Racine Sunday night.

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With a rapid fire, far ranging comedy monologue ("I like LBJ myself, if for no other reason than he talks like us." "With 688 million Chinese, if they ever start singing. We Shall Overcome, they're gonna do it."), and dropped sudenly into the serious portion of his talk.

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Julian Thomas, president of the Racine Branch of the NAACP, preceded Gregory with the comment that Racine has the same problems as the rest of the country, in education, in housing and in em.

ployment.

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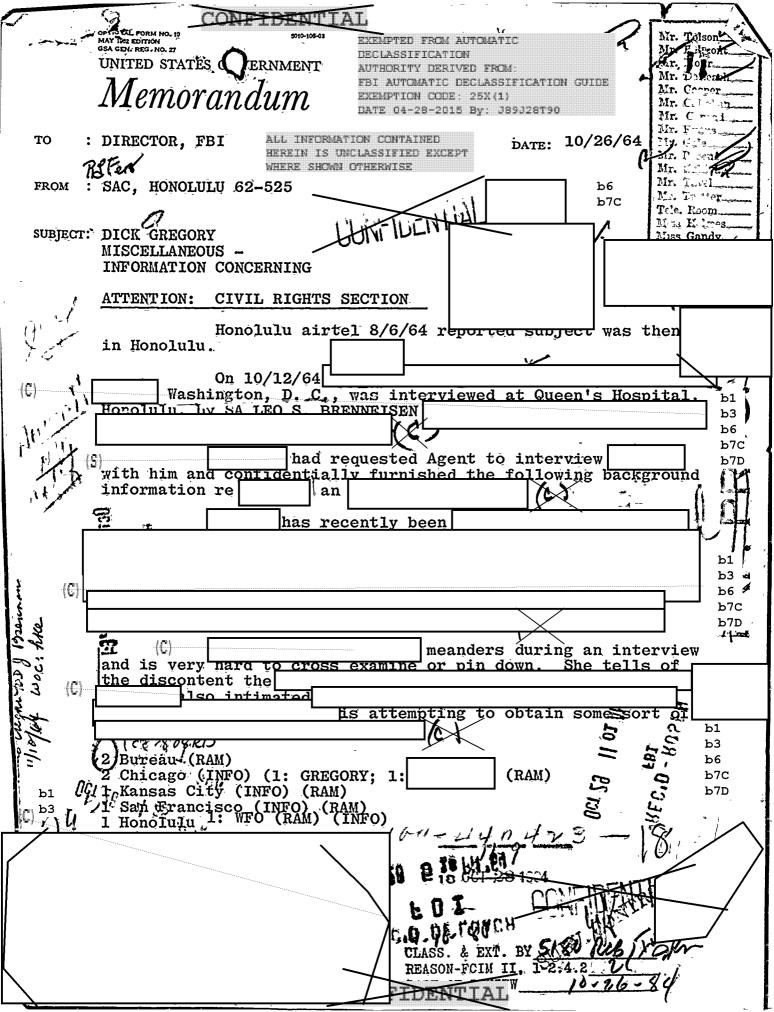
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On 8/14/64, AUSA San Francisco, California, was contacted by SA TOSAW and he declined prosecution of subject for violation of Impersonation Statute and ITSP Statute.  On 10/15/64, AUSA Washington, D.C., declined prosecution of subject for Impersonation and ITSP.	
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORAŅDUM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (405-24822) DATE: 10/12/65

SAC, CHICAGO (100-6989) FROM

SUBJECT: ELIJAH MUHAMMAD

IS - NOI

Re Chicago airtel dated 10/7/65 captioned as above

Enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning the appearance of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in an interview with IRVING KUPCINET on October 10, 1965, over television. One copy is enclosed for Atlanta, office of origin for MARTIN LUTHER KING.

Information in enclosed letterhead memorandum was monitored by SA

The Bureau's attention is invited to the fact that -subsequent to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's appëarance on "Kup's Show"-DICK GREGORY was asked by KUPCINET about the civil rights riots in Watts, California. He replied only that "in Los Angeles they were the Watts riots, in San Francisco they were known as the Los Angeles riots, in America they were the California riots and throughout the world they were known as the American riots which gives America a bad name."

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He also said that if it is true there is racial unrest in London, England, he would consider going there at a later date to determine its significance. He also stated that the disagreement between MARTIN LUTHER KING and ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was mainly religious although MUHAMMAD was not a civil rights leader or advocate. No explanations were given.



# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Chicago, Illinois
OCT. 12,1965

## ELIJAH MUHAMMA'D

The October 9, 1965, issue of the "Chicago Sun-Times", a Chicago, Illinois daily newspaper, contained an advertisement on page 30 captioned "Kup's Show." This advertisement reflected that the following individuals would appear as guests on that show at midnight October 9, 1965, over WBKB-TV, Channel 7:

Elijah Muhammad, leader of the "Black Muslims" (national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI))

Mrs. Jeane Dixon, clairvoyant

Dick Gregory, entertainer

Dr. Fred Schwartz, leader of an anti-Communist crusade

George Schaeffer, television producer

Jay Richard Kennedy, author

Dan Boorstin, author

The NOI is described in the appendix pages of this communication.

It is public knowledge that "Kups Show" is a Chicago based panel type televised discussion show covering a variety of subjects lasting approximately three hours and telecast over WBKB-TV, Chicago. Trving Kupcinet, Chicago newspaper columnist and television moderator, presides over the show.

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The October 10, 1965, production of "Kup's Show" pertaining to Elijah Muhammad began at midnight, October 9, 1965, and was monitored by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Pertinent statements made by Elijah Muhammad are set forth hereinafter.

Elijah Muhammad did not participate in the television panel discussion but was interviewed separately by Irv Kupcinet at Muhammad's residence, 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. He was interviewed from 12:00 midnight until 1:10 AM in a question - answer type of interview.

Muhammad thanked God whom he also referred to as Allah who came to him in the person of one W. D. Farad 34 years ago and gave Muhammad a message for the black man which is why Muhammad calls himself the Messenger of Allah.

Muhammad stated the black man has lived in America under the white slave master for 400 years and now wants something for himself, to be himself, and to be on his own. He added that for a black man to oppose this would result in his ultimate death as a social and economic force.

He stated regarding civil rights that Martin Luther King and other Negro civil rights leaders lack knowledge of the black race and fail to realize now is the time the black man should work to be independent and be on his own. He said civil rights leaders seek to be like the white man and want to be his equal in a white country. Muhammad pointed out that as the black man was of a different color than the white man and of a different race he should be on his own and not integrate. He said the black man has served his term of slavery and should not have to beg the white man for a job or to be his servant, adding the black man should seek a more prominent status on his own. Muhammad stated that was achieved in America by and for the white man, not the black man. He said by the government seemingly giving

more things to the black man such as its poverty programs and similar health programs it only meant that the white slave master, as he gets wealthier, can afford to dole out a little more proportionately for the black man but that such programs do not in any way elevate the black man. He said the government had an obligation to give the black man a state of its own and money for 25 years in which to operate in order that the black man can become completely self sufficient.

Muhammad said he had no power himself to bring about such change, but that Allah had such means. He added that Allah also knows when separation will take place. He said the time has come for Allah to intervene to separate the black man from his white slave master.

Muhammad stated that in America there was only a small proportion of black men as compared to the white man. He refused to name what state he would like if offered to him. He said the white man in America would lose his self respect if he yielded to the unreasonable demands of the civil rights leaders, as America cannot possibly agree with all of their demands.

Muhammad said in America intermarriages are not good, jobs for the black man were not available and in America the black man is not as good as the white man. The NOI desires, according to Muhammad, a state for themselves and equipment with which to operate it on a businesslike basis.

He stated that such prominent black men as Dr. Ralph Bunches Jackie Robinson and the like only serve the white man and do nothing to better their black brothers.

Muhammad stated that like Moses and Jesus stated in the Bible, the black man was deaf, dumb and blind adding that if that sounded like Governor Wallace of Alabama it still was true.

Muhammad stated that the education the black man has received will help him to go for himself, but doesn't mean that he should be satisfied and perform his services for the white man. He said such educated Negroes should separate from the white man and utilize their education for the black man when he gets his own state. He added that the black man would need modern tools, machinery, buildings and land in this connection.

He said the black man has lost his birthright and there is no record of his ancestry in America. He added that all the NOI wanted was freedom, justice and equality for the black man.

Regarding hate, Muhammad stated that according to Moses and Jesus a human being has to hate evil people, adding that such was in the Bible. He said in the Bible even brothers hated each other. He said some brothers couldn't live together and this included black and white and even Red China. Muhammad said you couldn't expect the Negro to follow the Bible if white Christians do not do so, adding that Christianity is anti-Negro.

Muhammad stated that Allah has stated all white men are devils, but that there are various degrees of deviltry and that some whites are better than others. He said Jesus stated the human race were followers of the devil and He was crucified for it.

Muhammad stated Martin Luther King was wrong in his approach to civil rights and said he was misguided as white men and black men could not get along together. He said the black man must trust in God, not Martin Luther. King, adding that the Nobel prize was no honor to King as he had done nothing for his people.

Muhammad said he never advocated boycotting white businesses, but only that whenever possible the black man should buy from black people. Muhammad added it would be very silly for him if he needed a suit to go without one if he could buy one from the white man.

Regarding the bearing of arms for America, Muhammad stated after a Muslim receives the teachings of their religion it is then up to them individually to determine if they desire to serve in the Armed Forces.

Muhammad thanked Kupcinet for the opportunity to present his views to the public.

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### APPENDIX

NATION OF ISLAM, Formerly Referred to as the Muslim Cult of Islam, Aka. Muhammad's Temples of Islam

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In January, 1957, a source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD has described his organization on a nationwide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

On May 7, 1965, a second source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI); Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, is the national headquarters of the NOI; and in mid-1960 MUHAMMAD and other NOI officials, when referring to MUHAMMAD's organization on a nationwide basis, commenced using either "Mosque" or Temple" when mentioning one of "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

The NOI is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. MUHAMMAD claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States. Members following MUHAMMAD's teachings and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils," in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon."

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including MUHANNAD, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

On May 5, 1958, the first source advised MUHAMMAD had, upon advice of legal counsel, tempered his personal statements and instructions to his ministers concerning the principles of his organization in order to avoid possible prosecution by the United States government; however, he did not indicate any fundamental changes in the teachings of his organization.

On May 3, 1965, a third source advised MUHAMMAD had, early in July, 1958, decided to de-emphasize the religious aspects of the teachings of Islam and to stress the economic benefits to be derived by those Negroes who joined the NOI. This policy change, according to MUHAMMAD, would help him acquire additional followers and create more interest in his programs.

## APPENDIX

SUPPLEMENTAL CORRELATION SUMMARY (See Correlation Summary dated 10/19/64 filed as 100-440423-16).

Main File No: 100-440423

See Also: 44-22002

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Dick Gregory Subject:

Date: 11-5-65

Date Searched: 5/19/65

All logical variations of subject's name and aliases were searched and identical references were found as:

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Dick Gregory
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Dick Claxton Gregory

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This is a summary of information obtained from a review of all "see" references to the subject in Bureau files under the names and aliases listed above. All references under the above names containing data identical with the subject have been included except any indicated at the end of this summary under the heading REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY.

This summary is designed to furnish a synopsis of the information set out in each reference. In many cases the original serial will contain the information in much more detail.

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#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

Add. info	Additional information appearing in this reference which pertains to Dick Gregory may be found in the main file or elsewhere in this summary.
ACT	Associated Community Teams
CORE	Congress of Racial Equality
SNCC	Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee

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California (protect identity) advised that the Western Christian Leadership Conference (WCLC) (100-442349), organized a rally in the Los Angeles Sports Arena in 1961 at which time Martin Luther King Jr., Mahalia Jackson, Sammy Davis Jr., and Dick Gregory, made appearances that attracted enormous crowds and was successful beyond the organizers expectations.

stated that the WCLC was patterned after the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLG) in the southern part of the US and contact was maintained from the first inception of WCLC with Martin Luther King Jr. who gave it his encouragement, and considered it the Western branch of his own SCLC, but could not openly encourage it in 1961 because he and other Civil Rights leaders had made an agreement to prevent conflicts of interest among their various organizations.

This reference indicated that Mahalia Jackson and Sammy Davis Jr. were entertainers.

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Chicago Police Department (protect identity)
advised that on 5/13/63, Richard Criley (100-26567) was one of 1800
participants in a parade held in Chicago. The purpose of the parade was to protest the denial of civil rights to the Negro people of Birmingham, Alabama, and other Southern states. Dick Gregory, was among the speakers at a rally at the conclusion of the parade. He bitterly criticized President Kennedy's action in sending troops to the Birmingham area, stating that Kennedy only acted when the whites started getting hurt.

100-26567-160 p.15 (4)

Sheriff Harold Norton, Jefferson County, Arkansas, advised that Dick Gregory was arrested on 2/18/64 at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, during the time he was involved in desegregation activities at Pine Bluff. Sheriff Norton advised that Gregory declined to make bail. Sheriff Norton advised that Gregory, while in jail, had received censored mail and furnished photostats of a letter, together with mailing envelope, and clippings enclosed with the letter, which was mailed to Gregory at the jail by (100-382102). The mailing envelope had the hardwritten return address of

Idabel, Okla., and postmarked on 2/17/64 at Idabel, Okla. The letter to Dick Gregory mentioned the Klan and Castro, and the clippings enclosed included the masthead or its equivalent of the following publications: "Peking Review," "New Times," "Moscow News," "The Worker" and "Revolution."

100-382102-32 p.5 (4)

was held in Chicago which was sponsored by the West Side Unit of CORE (100-440885). One of the entertainers featured at the rally was Dick Gregory. The rally was in support of the school boycott which was scheduled to take place in Chicago on 2/25/64.

100-440885-6 p.11

that in April, 1964 the SNCCO sponsored an appearance by Dick Gregory in Schenectady to raise funds for SNCCO. During the arrangements for this affair, (100-251335) invited herself into the organizing groups and began working with that group. She wanted to

organize a cocktail party at a restaurant in Schenectady and charge \$50.00 per person for the opportunity of the guests meeting Gregory and having cocktails with him. This turned out to be a complete befailure and in the end was so desperate she finally began to call local Negroes inviting them to come to the restaurant, carefully pointing out she was inviting them to come as guests, without the \$50.00 fee, because they were Negroes. This action by alienated organizing the group. Thereafter called off the cocktail party and expressed her criticism of the SNCCO organization and of the Gregory appearance.

100-251335-64 p.4 (4)

On 11/18/64 Walter E. Alessandroni, Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Justice, Harrisburg, Pa., furnished a report prepared by a Commission appointed by Governor Scranton to investigate the charges of excessive use of force by police in Chester, Pa.

The appointment of this commission followed the serious charges of excessive use of force by State and local police during the civil rights demonstrations on March 28, April 22, and April 24, 1964 in Chester, Pa. During the demonstrations between 3/28/64 and 4/22/64, Dick Gregory, appeared at one time or another at a rally and in the march that followed.

(Report enclosed) 44-27477-4 p.41 (3)

The "Washington Post" dated 4/27/64, on the first page of the Appendix Section, contained an article entitled "Gregory Predicts Social Revolution." The article stated that Dick Gregory spoke at a pre-show cocktail party on 4/25/64 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luke W. Wilson on the grounds of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) 9100 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Md. The article stated that the Wilsons, who donated the NIH site to the government, asked friends - many of whom were members of the Friends of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee or the Women's Strike for Peace, both of which Mrs. Wilson was associated with - to meet Gregory and the Freedom Singers and to help raise money for the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC). Gregory and the Freedom Singers were in Washington, DC to appear in a show on 4/25/64, to benefit the SNCC's Mississippi summer project.

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This serial indicated that in September, 1955, be was a member of the CP, and was a secret member of the CP.
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On 3/13/64 Committee for Freedom Now, Chester, Pa., advised that a civil rights conference was scheduled by to be held on 3/14/64 at the Eastern Light Masonic Lodge, 815 West 33rd St., Chester, Pa. Among those who would attend were Dick Gregory. Malcolm X Little, Reverend Milton Galamison of NYC, and of Cambridge, Md.
On 3/14/64 Chief of Police Francis Holt, Chester, Pa., advised that the civil rights conference was held as scheduled and in addition to the above civil rights leaders, of Chicago, Ill. also attended.
On 3/16/64 , BSS, NYCPD advised that the second boycott of NYC public schools was held that date by the Citywide Committee for Integrated Schools, which was headed by Galamison, Pastor of the Siloam Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, NY. Among the speakers at the boycott demonstration were: Reverend Galamison, US Congressman from Harlem Adam Clayton Powell, Gregory, Richardson and Malcolm X Little.
The 4/26/64 edition of the "New York Herald Tribune," contained an article on page 10, relative to the racial situation by former professional baseball player Jackie Robinson. In the article Robinson critized Malcolm X and stated that Dick Gregory had said that "Malcolm X was invented" by the people who edit big newspapers; control big television and radio and publish big newspapers and magazines."
This serial indicated that was a civil rights leader and Malcolm X Little was the founder of Muslim Mosque Inc. (100-441765).
Add. info. 100-441765-89 p.32,33,36 (6)
SE 785-S and reported 100-441469) attended a regular meeting of the Seattle Branch, SWP, on 4/28/64. gave a report on SNCC and stated that plans for the appearance of Dick Gregory were not going as well as planned (no further information).

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advised that (100-413321) together with Emma Sterne and were in charge of an appearance of Dick Gregory at the San Jose Civic Auditorium, San Jose, California, on 5/16/64 (not further described).

This serial identified Emma Sterne and as close to the CP in the San Jose area.

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advised that a civil rights report was given by at a weekly Branch meeting of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) (100-16) held on 4/14/64, 3815 5th Ave., NE, Seattle, Washington. reported that he attended a meeting of CORE where a plan for a sit-in demonstration concerning real estate offices was discussed. stated that SNCC planned to have a big public event when Dick Gregory gave a performance in Seattle on 5/17/64. She stated that SNCC would have tickets for sale prior to his appearance and that they would like for reveryone to sell as many tickets as possible.

100-16-51-361 p.23 (4)

on 5/19/64 advised that an organization known as "Friends of Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee" (SNCC), sponsored a rally held at the City Auditorium, Denver, Colo. on 5/19/64. Dick Gregory, nightclub entertainer, and the SNCC (100-439190) Freedom Singers, entertained at this rally. Gregory asked persons present to donate to the Freedom Movement by contributing to individuals with cups in the lobby who had volunteered to take up the collection. Informant advised that were in the business office of the Auditorium selling tickets for admission. Several members of the Denver Branch, SWP, were present at this rally.

of the Denver Branch, SWP and had been active in the SWP but not a member.

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The "National Guardian" page 5, dated 6/6/64, entitled "Japanese bomb survivors speak in New York June 8," revealed that New Yorkers would have the opportunity to listen to survivors of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki at a public meeting at Carnegie Hall on June 8, sponsored by the World Peace Study Mission (62-109339), 325 Lafayette St., NYC. This organization arranged the good-will journey of 26 hibakusha (bomb affected ones) through the US, England, France, Belgium, Germany, the Soviet Union and China. Speakers in New York included two American Friends Dick Gregory and Norman Cousins, editor of the Saturday review.

62-109339-A "National Guardian" (3) 6/6/64

A reliable source (not identified) advised that on 6/14/64 a racial demonstration sponsored by the Non-Violent Direct Action Committee, Dayton, Ohio, whose director was staged a peaceful demonstration at Dayton, Ohio, led by Dick Gregory.

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This reference captioned "Rombing Matters. Louisville" (157-2-27) revealed that on 7/19/64, NA), Louisville Police Department, Records Room. Louisville. Ky., advised that the telephone switchboard operator received a telephone call from an unidentified male saying that there would be a bomb thrown on that date at approximately 9:15 p.m. at the Iroquois Amphitheater in Louisville. No bomb was thrown and there had been no explosion as of 10:30 p.m. on 7/19/64. According to the above source, Louis Lomax, writer, Dick Gregory, both Negroes, and Governor Edward T. Breathitt were appearing at a fund raising "Freedom Fund Show" sponsored by Allied Organizations for Civil Rights.

157-2-27-187 (101) SI 157-2-27-186 (91)

The following references on Dick Gregory appear in the main file captioned "Unknown Subject; Michael Schwerner, James E. Chaney, Andrew Goodman-Victims, Philadelphia, Miss.," (Miburn). The references set out information pertaining to the activities of Gregory during the period from 6/23/64 to 8/13/64 in Mississippi and Chicago and information in his possession regarding the missing civil rights workers who disappeared from Meridan, Miss. on 6/21/64

and whose bodies were found on 8/4/64 near Phila., Miss. Some of the activities were sponsored by ACT. In press conferences and news releases Gregory was critical of the FBI in connection with the above case.

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44-25706-19 172 883 p.377,378,379 930 954 976 1004 1361				

On 8/11/64 Chicago City News Service, Chicago, T11., advised that head of ACT (100-441968) announced in a press release on the above date that Dick Gregory would present his side of the story of the Mississippi Killings (not further described). Gregory would appear at a meeting to be held on 8/13/64 at the Packinghouse Workers Hall, 4859 South Wabash, Chicago. At this time Gregory would play a tape recording that he had that would tell how the Killings took place and would also reveal the name of the killers. Gregory would also read a letter that he had received telling where the bodies would be found. Admission to this meeting would be for the benefit of ACT.

100-441968-72X

NK 2458-S\* and NK 2459-S\* furnished the following information:

Martin Luther King Jr. (100-106670) arrived in Atlantic City, NJ on 8/22/64. He appeared before the Platform Committee of the Democratic National Convention, although he did not wish it to appear that he was attending the Convention.

The Credentials Committee reached a compromise of permitting the Freedom Democratic Party (FDP), two delegates at large and other members of the FDP to be admitted as observers to the Convention. Senator Hubert Humphrey and Walter Reuther, President of the United Auto Workers of America, told King and others of the offer.

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On 8/26/64, Dick Gregory expressed great regret that "the FDP delegation had not resulted in a floor fight at the Democratic Convention." Gregory claimed that FDP members would have gone home before the convention if they had been given a guarantee of Federal referees for registration and election. Gregory favored a plan for stalling traffic en route to Convention Hall on August 26 and 27, 1964. The leaders of this were to be Jesse Gray of New York and of Philadelphia. King opposed such action feeling that it would help elect Barry Goldwater whom King detested. King felt that demonstrations should be held to a minimum until after the election.

It was noted that Dick Gregory in talking to King stated that in his opinion only a very thin line keeps J. Edgar Hoover off the Negro's back." He could not forgive Mr. Hoover for stating that there were communists in the civil rights movement without naming them. He felt that if there were any communists, they were white, but Mr. Hoover wanted people to think they were Negroes. Gregory threatened to write King's name in for President and felt that Senator Humphrey would not be Johnson's selection for Vice-president, but rather Muskinof Maine who was a Catholic and who could get the votes in the white ghettos.

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The following references in the file captioned "Disruption of Democratic National Convention," contain information pertaining to the activities of Dick Gregory in connection with an attempt to disrupt the Democratic National Convention which was to be held in Atlantic City, NJ from 8/24/64 to 8/27/64. These activities took place in Chester, Pa., Stamford, Conn., and Atlantic City, NJ., during the period from 8/20/64 to 8/28/64. Gregory participated in rallies and fund raising affairs of various civil rights groups including ACT, NAACP, and Chester Committee for Freedom, in support of demonstrations to protest the failure to seat the Freedom Democratic Party Delegates from Mississippi at the convention.

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100-442527-125	p.1.2	(8)
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285	p.1.2.3	(91)

b6 On 9/11/64 advised the Newark Office b7C that he was the of the Society Protesting Unequal Representation (SPUR) (100-442666) and the one who decided what policy should be followed and what would be done. that he demonstrated the needs of the citizens of Orange. NJ through publicizing their problems in relation to housing. of the rally he ran on 8/30/64 at which Jesse Gray, Harlem rent strike leader and Dick Gregory spoke. He stated that his purpose in running the rally was to make known his organization through the use of "big names." claimed that he believed the rally, which was attended by only 150 persons, would have been more successful had not people, who were in opposition to him politically, recommended their followers not to attend the rally. 100-442666-3 b6 NY 4596-S\* advised that from Orange, NJ. b7C contacted an unknown male at Harlem Community Council on Housing 6 East 117th St., NYC, which was under the leadership of Jesse Gray (100-357847), rent strike leader. ask Gregory for a rally in Orange, NJ on 8/30/64. asked about getting Dick The unknown male advised that he would let him know. Source furnished no information as to the nature of the rally referred to. b6 further stated that he would see Jesse in Stamford b7C (no state mentioned) on Saturday, (August 22nd ?). Istated that Dick (Gregory ?) might also be there. This serial indicated that the meeting on Saturday probably had reference to a meeting of the Citizens for Progress Committee. 100-357847-64 (51)b6 Rand Bldg. Buffalo. NY (protect identity), advised on 8/27/64 that of the Buffalo Chapter7D of CORE directed a telegram to CORE at 38 Park Row, NYC, requesting the appearance of Dick Gregory in Buffalo on a date as near 9/5/64, as possible. The telegram further indicated that CORE in Buffalo expected

It was noted that the Woodlawn Junior High School (157-1954) was the only new junior high school opening in Buffalo on that date and had been subject of much public discussion and debate regarding

non-violent direct action when a new junior high school opened on 9/9/64.



its integration, the principal charge in this discussion and debate being that it would be a de-factor segregated school with as much as 98% colored students.

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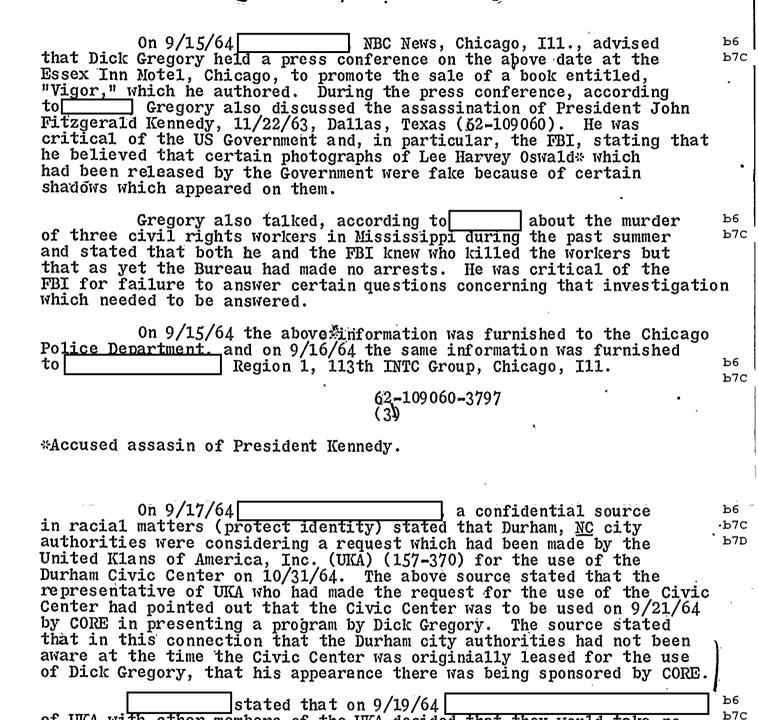
The "Fort Dodge Messenger," Fort Dodge, Iowa page 2, dated 9/12/64 featured an article by Ethel Pringel, Staff Writer, entitled "'Non-Violent Bag' Hit, Kicked in Training for Rights Duty." It set out information pertaining to a speech by Marcia Moore, a civil rights worker for the Mississippi Summer Project (157-1676), made before the Fort Dodge Education Association on 9/10/64 at the Wahkonsal Hotel, Fort Dodge, Iowa, in connection with her work in the civil rights movement in Mississippi. In the speech she stated that she was assigned to the Freedom School in Laurel, Miss. and that money to finance the Freedom School ventures was obtained from contributions and benefits and that the Negro Comedian, Dick Gregory had raised thousands for this purpose.

157/-1676-1215 (16)

Dick Gregory appeared as a feature of "A Salute to Freedom" benefit program sponsored by CORE held on 9/15/64 at the Chicago Civic Opera House. At 10:30 p.m., 9/15/64, the Chicago Police Department advised that the above benefit was peaceful with no incidents.

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of UKA with other members of the UKA decided that they would take no action to interfere with the use of the Civic Center on 9/21/64 by Dick

Gregory and his group but they would follow up on the request for the use of the Civic Center by UKA on October 31. It was decided that if UKA was rejected in its request for the use of the Civic Center they

would take legal action.

On 9/23/64 advised that a regular meeting of the Durham, NC Klavern of the UKA was to be held in or near Durham on the same night as Dick Gregory was to appear at the Civic Center. On the evening of 9/21/64, Major W.B. Julian, Assistant Dhief of Police, Durham, NC, was advised by a Bureau Agent that a Klan meeting was scheduled to be held in Durham on that night and that there was a possibility that there might be a conflict between this group and those attending the appearance of Dick Gregory. On the morning of 9/22/64, Major Julian advised that Gregory and his company had appeared as scheduled at the meeting sponsored by CORE on 9/21/64 and that no picketing or other interference had occurred.

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Lt. Special Investigations, Detroit, Michigan, Police Department, advised that on 9/24/64, Dick Gregory entertained and spoke at a fund raising benefit by CORE (100-225892), held at the Ford Auditorium in Detroit, Mich. Gregory panned a number of prominent individuals including J. Edgar Hoover. Gregory stated that he had talked to President Johnson and stated that he advised him that he could avoid being assassinated by nominating a Negro for Vice-President.

100-225892-782 (4)

This reference captioned Testing of Public Accommodations in Southwestern Oklahoma By CORE 10/9/64, Public Accommodations Civil Rights Act, 1964, Oklahoma City (173-1-35), revealed that on 10/2/64, of the Oklahoma City Chapter of CORE, advised that no definite plans had been made by CORE in regard to a contemplated "freedom ride" into southwestern Oklahoma, which had previously been announced for 10/9/64.

Chapter of CORE did not have sufficient finances for such an undertaking, but hoped that finances would be available following the appearance of Negro comedian Dick Gregory in Oklahoma City on 10/8/64. He advised that if the CORE Chapter had sufficient funds available, the trip to southwestern Oklahoma would possibly be made a few days following Gregory's appearance in Oklahoma City.

173-1-35-24 (16) The following references in the file captioned "Freedom Now - CORE Affiliate," contain information pertaining to the activities of Dick Gregory, in connection with a demonstration to be held at the Governor's Conference in San Antonio, <u>Texas</u>, October 10 through October 14, 1964. This demonstration was to be directed by James Farmer, National Director of CORE and Dick Gregory was to participate in picketing the conference.

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The following references in the file captioned "Communist Influence In Racial Matters," contain information pertaining to the activities of Dick Gregory from 5/13/63 to 10/14/64 in cities through out the US, including Chicago, III., Chester, Pa., Denver; Colo., Bethesda, Md., San Francisco, Calif., and San Antonio, Texas, in connection with racial matters. Gregory spoke at rallies sponsored by SNCC and performed at concerts sponsored by SNCC and CORE to raise funds for these organizations. He also attended meetings and was a consultant to ACT.

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and NYCPD (protect identity) furnished information pertaining to a public meeting sponsored by the Organization of AFRO - American Unity (OAAU) (100-442235) on 12/13/64 at the Audubon Ballroom, Broadway and 166th St. NYC. The featured speaker was OAAU Chairman and Muslim Mosque Inc. leader, Malcolm X Little. He devoted most of his speech to the Congo situation claiming that the US was responsible for the situation there because of its support for Congo Premier Moise Tshombe. After his speech Little introduced Negro comedian Dick Gregory, who joked about 40 minutes chiefly concerning law enforcement and the racial situation in the South.

100-442235-46 (8) SI 100-442235-75 p.50 (5)

The following references in the file captioned "Christmas For Mississippi," contain information pertaining to the activities of Dick Gregory in connection with this project from 12/10/64 to 12/26/64 in Chicago and Mississippi. Gregory and Drew Pearson were Co-chairmen of and Sammy Davis Jr. participated in the committee which was established to raise funds to ship 20,000 turkeys to the Negro people of Mississippi on Christmas Eve, 1964.

Gregory was to participate in a fund raising affair sponsored by ACT, a civil rights group in Chicago on 12/17/64.

Gregory arrived in Jackson on 12/23/64 and held an impromptu news conference. He was scheduled to perform in a show in Jackson on 12/23/64, in Clarksdale on 12/24/64, and in Gulfport, Mississippi on Christmas day. He was to depart from Jackson on 12/26/64.

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On 11/23/64 a confidential mailbox of the NYO supplied a flyer which advertised "A Holiday Benefit for 'Freedomways'," a magazine published by Freedomways Associates Inc. (100-434819) to be held at the Village Gate, 185 Thompson St., NYC, on 12/27/64. It indicated that one of the artists who would attend was Dick Gregory.

advised that Dick Gregory made an appearance during the later part of the Benefit. There was no collection taken but those present were urged to buy the magazine "Freedomways."

100-434819-146

The following references on Dick Gregory appear in the file captioned "Racial Matters," and set out information concerning Gregory's activities from 1964 to 1965 in the civil rights movement in the localities as indicated below. Gregory participated in many racial demonstrations by leading marchers, sit-ins, and speaking at many of the meetings and rallies.

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	157-4-35-25	(10)
San Antonio, Texas	157-4-45-47 p.6	(10)
Baltimore, Md.	157-6-3-1269	(10)
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Atlantic City, NJ Philadelphia, Pa.	157-6-3-1409	(10)
Cambridge, Md.	157-6-3-A "Washington Post" and "Times Herald" 6/1/64	(11)
Cambridge, Md.	157-6-3 The "Daily Banner" 6/5/64	(11)
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Bloomington, Ind.	157-6-21-246	(121)
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Chattanooga, Tenn.	157-6-24-267 p.2,3	(121)
Louisville, <u>Ky</u> ,	157-6-27-293 p.9	(121)
Lexington, Ky.	157-6-27-306	(12)
Nashville, Tenn.	157-6-28-885	(12)
Patterson, NJ	157-6-31-472 p.2	(12 <sup>l</sup> )
Orange, NJ	157-6-31-473	(13 <sup>l</sup> )
Atlantic City, NJ	157-6-31-477	(131)
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Baltimore, Md.	157-6-37-881	(14)
St. Louis, Mo.	157-6-42-629	(14)
San Francisco, Calif.	157-6-46-74 p.2,3	(14)
San Diego, Calif.	157-6-46-121 128 p.2,3,4,5	(14 <b>)</b> (14 <b>)</b>
San Francisco, Calif.	157-6-47-320 p.2	(14)
Baltimore, Md.	157-6-47-325	(15)
San Francisco, Calif.	157-6-47-347	(151)
Savannah, Ga.	157-6-49-2373 2377 2401 p.16	(15) (15) (15)
Washington, DC	157-6-53-559 p.2 677	(15) (15)

The following references in the file captioned "Associated Community Teams" (ACT), contain information pertaining to the activities of Dick Gregory in connection with ACT from 1963 to 1965 in the localities as indicated below. Gregory was one of the founders, one of the leaders, and a consultant of ACT. ACT, a National Civil Rights Committee, was founded on 4/18/63 in Washington, DC. (continued)

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In connection with the Desegregation of Public Accommodations, Birmingham  $\underline{A1a}$ . (173-1-4-58), Chief of Police William M. Marable, Tuscaloosa,  $\overline{A1a}$ ., advised that on 1/19/65, Dick Gregory had lunch at the Toddle House in Tuscaloosa with no incidents observed.

An article from the "Washington Post and Times Herald" page A-17, dated 1/21/65 entitled "School Boycott Leader Arrested in New York;"revealed that Dick Gregory and a group of Negroes testing the 1964 Civil Rights Act in Tuscaloosa, Alabama were turned away from four establishments on 1/19/65, including Garner's Restaurant where the imperial wizard Robert M. Shelton of the Ku Klux Klan was eating. The Negroes were refused admittance and were told that they needed reservations. Dick Gregory stated they would make reservations for the following night. A white youth who tried to enter the restaurant at the same time was arrested when he bumped into a Negro.

Earlier in the day Gregory led other Negroes in successful tests at eight restaurants.

100-440326-A "Washington Post and Times (6) . Herald" p.A-17 1/21/65

This reference captioned "Desegregation of Public Accommodations, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, (173-103) indicated that of Holiday Inn, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, advised on 1/20/65, b7C he had just had a visit at the motel from Tuscaloosa Citizens for Action Committee, and Christ Lutheran Church, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, who requested rooms at Holiday Inn for themselves, stating that they desired to register. stated that he informed these individuals of the policy of this Holiday Inn of not accepting registrations from any local residents. advised that about two minutes later, Dick Gregory appeared at Holiday Inn and informed him that unless rooms were given to [ that he intended to call a national boycott of Holiday Inn. stated that until he received instructions from his | who operated Holiday Inn under a franchise, and also operated Town House Motel in Tuscaloosa. that he could not furnish rooms to 173-103-53 (16)

The following reference in the file captioned "Registrars of Voters, Dallas County, Alabama Voting Discrimination DR" (44-12831) contains information pertaining to the activities of Dick Gregory from 2/12/65 to 2/17/65 in Selma, Alabama. Gregory participated in demonstrations and made speeches in connection with the registration of voters. Gregory and seven other individuals were arrested on 2/16/65 on disorderly conduct when he attempted to register at the Holiday Inn Motel in Selma. Gregory was released on 2/17/65 by posting bond; other individuals were released on 2/16/65.

44-12831-441 p.5-8,12,13 (2,17,18)

The following references on Dick Gregory appear in the main file of Malcolm X Little (100-399321). The references set out the activities of Gregory and Little in connection with civil rights in Chester, Pa., and NYC, from 2/14/64 to 12/13/64. They attended and spoke at meetings of ACT, Organization of Afro-American Unity, civil rights conferences and participated in the boycott of public schools in NYC.

Dick Gregory attended the funeral of Malcolm Little who had been assassinated, on 2/27/65 in NYC.

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Attempt of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (157-2787), the Buffalo Office advised b6 on 3/8/65 that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ had recently advised that Malcolm X told her on 2/16/65 that money was "pouring " into the US from Mexico and Canada for Negro exploitation. Malcolm told \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that the organization "ACT" or such similar name, NYC based, was receiving at least part of the funds from abroad and channeling these funds to various areas in the US where needed. Malcolm mentioned Livingston Wingate, NYC Anti-Poverty Head, Dick Gregory, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and Representative Adam Clayton Powell as some of the "ACT" members who possibly would know about these funds and their source. Malcolm confided to \_\_\_\_\_ "I am going to get killed because I know too much."

The whereabouts of Dick Gregory was unknown to the Buffalo Office.

157-2787-14. (16)

The following references in file captioned "March From Selma to Montgomery, Ala., 3/21/65," contain information pertaining to the activities of Dick Gregory in connection with this March from 3/21/65 through 3/25/65. Gregory participated in the Civil Rights March which was a protest of voting discrimination and he also performed in the evening entertainment.

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44-28544-82 (3 83 (3) 304 (3) 374 p.23 (3) An article from the "Washington Post" and "Times Herald," page B7 dated 3/27/65, entitled "Success Story in Corninth, Miss.," by Drew Pearson (94-8-350), set out information pertaining to the race relations in Corninth, Miss. The article also stated that Dick Gregory entertained the freedom marchers to Montgomery during their first night in a cow pasture. Earlier he had spent two nights in the Selma jail. Gregory stated that he had been in 24 or 27 jails, he couldn't remember which, and he had enjoyed them. Pearson stated that Gregory had kept this sense of humor even in jail. According to Pearson, Gregory after leaving the Selma jail, stopped off in Washington, told friends that down in the Selma jail, "A cop hit me. I called the FBI." "" Where's the marks?' they said. 'Never mind the marks. You just take a picture of my whole back, I said. 'We'll fix up the points later.' "

94-8-350-A "Washington Post" and Times (4) Herald" 3/27/65

The "New York Times" edition of 4/12/65, p.28, contained an article which revealed that the "Committee of Concerned Mothers" was sponsoring a variety benefit program on 4/23/65 to be held at the Appollo Theater, 253 W. 125th St., NYC for Malcolm 'X's family. The article stated that one of the entertainers scheduled to perform was Dick Gregory.

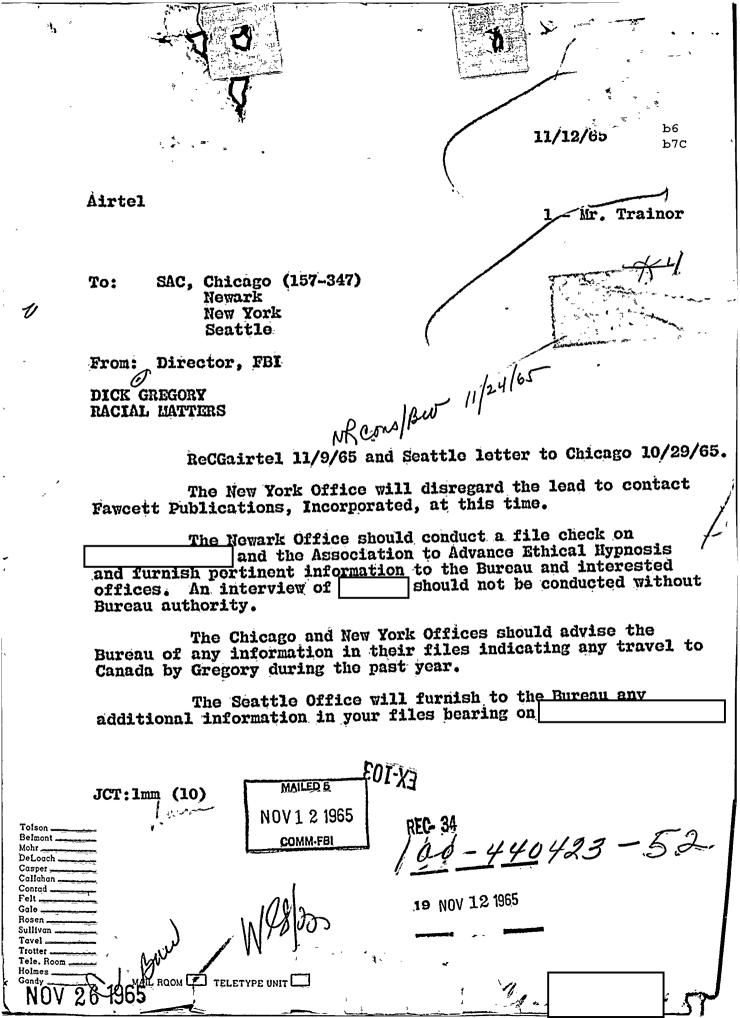
This serial indicated that the "Committee of Concerned Mothers" was a group of prominent Negro women formed for the sole purpose of raising funds to meet the need for food, clothing and shelter of the widow and children of Malcolm X.

According to this serial the Organization of Afro-American Unity (OAAU) (100-442235) was not sponsoring the above benefit but would support it and plans were made to sell souvenirs of Malcolm X at the benefit in order to make money for the OAAU.

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review of the "Cavalier" publication for 11/65, fails to reflect any article written by DICK GREGORY.

Sergeant Human Relations Section, Chicago PD, who is an acquaintance of GREGORY and who has in the past been in regular contact with GREGORY during GREGORY's participation in the protest demonstrations in Chicago, on 119/65, advised that in his contacts with GREGORY over the past six months, he has received no indication that GREGORY has visited Canada, on a regular basis as alleged.

In view of the nature of the information appearing in enclosed communication, the following investigation is being requested in an effort to corroborate this material:

## Requests of the Bureau

Will consider the advisability of contacting and/or any sources who might be in a position to determine whether GREGORY has visited Canada on a monthly basis as alleged.

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AT IRVINGTON, NEW JERSEY. Will, through the Advanced Ethical Hypnosis, 10 Washington Avenue, locate and interview in an effort to corroborate the information furnished by

#### NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK. Will contact the Editorial Offices, Fawcett Publications, Inc., 67 West 44th Street, publishers of "Cavalier", to determine if that firm in the past, has received articles from DICK GREGORY, and in addition, determine whether the firm contemplates publication of any articles by him at some future date.

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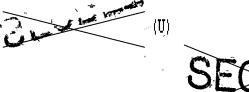
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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will, upon receipt of results of investigation, take necessary action toward proper dissemination of this information.



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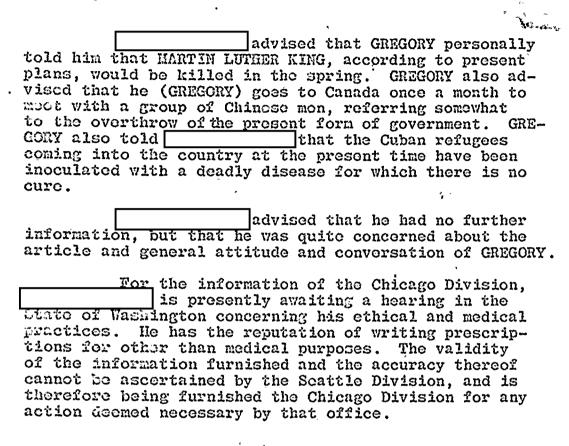
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The following information is being furnished for the Chicago Division. No further action is being taken by the Seattle Division.

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RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY, also known as Dick Gregory RACIAL MATTERS SECRE!

Enclosed herewith are two copies of a letterhead memorandum from Chicago, Illinois, dated November 5, 1965, captioned as above. Bureau files indicate that Richard Claxton Gregory, also known as Dick Gregory, is a Negro comedian who has appeared at numerous fund-raising events for such civil rights organizations as the Congress of Racial Equality, Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and Associated Community Teams. He reportedly was one of the founders of Associated Community Teams and has been identified as a consultant to this organization.

Bureau files also indicate that Gregory at various times has been involved in the promotion of rent strikes, economic boycotts, sit-in demonstrations, picket lines, marches, and other forms of protest. He has openly boasted that he has been frequently jailed as a result of his civil rights activities Most recently Gregory has been one of the leaders in demonstration in Chicago, Illinois, protesting alleged de facto segregation in the Chicago schools. He has been arrested for civil disobedience in connection with these demonstrations.

You should make the information in this letter and

The Bureau should be advised of

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## NOTE:

The Chicago Office advised on 11/5/65 that Richard Claxton Gregory reportedly has a contract to go to England to do a dramatic special on television and that he also wanted to go there to do three specials on the racial crisis in February, 1966. It is believed that the possibility of Gregory appearing in London, England, should be made available to

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No source was utilized in providing the background data in the concluding portions of the LHM, as the information is public knowledge, having been set forth on numerous occasions in newspaper clippings and stories concerning GREGORY, in various Chicago news media.

Discreet inquiry at the U.S. Passport Office, Chicago, through Supervisor, failed to reflect any indication of an application for U.S. passport on GREGORY's part. A copy of this communication is being provided WFO in the event of future inquiry to be made in this matter, although no specific lead is being set forth at the present time.

Chicago is not pursuing this matter at present, but any additional information concerning GREGORY's travel plans obtained through public or other sources will be appropriately provided the Bureau.





## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Chicago, Illinois
November 5, 1965

## RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY, ALSO KNOWN AS DICK GREGORY

The "Chicago Sun Times", a Chicago daily newspaper, issue of October 31, 1965, contains an article concerning an interview with Dick Gregory, as he is commonly known, concerning his involvement in the civil rights movement in the United States. The article, prepared by a representative of the "Chicago Sun Times", described Gregory as a nationally known comedian and civil rights leader.

This interview was conducted during October, 1965, while Gregory was performing at a local Chicago nightclub. During the interview with the representative of the "Chicago Sun Times", Gregory advised that he recently received a contract to go to London, England, to do a dramatic special there on television. He advised that he is wanted there also "to do three specials in London, on the racial crisis there, in February." Gregory stated that he feels he received this offer only because of his well known involvement in the civil rights movement in the United States.

Gregory is a male Negro, born October 12, 1932, in St. Louis, Missouri. He resides at 1451 East 55th Street, Chicago, Illinois. He has been arrested on numerous occasions in the past several years in various parts of the United States, Chicago, and elsewhere, during the course of numerous civil rights demonstrations, rallies, sit-ins and the like, in which he has been a participant.

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She noted that she also planned to make subsequent foreign travel but there was no specific information concerning this. advised that she would be issued passport number
advised that there is no record at the USPO that DICK GREGORY has filed an application for a passport through this agency.
Noting the above, WFO, who received a copy of realrtel, is requested to check records of the USPO, Washington, D.C. concerning DICK GREGORY to ascertain if he is currently in possession of a valid U.S. passport or has secured one recently through a medium other than the USPO in Chicago. Pertinent information, if obtained, should be set forth in LHM form by WFO, utilizing also in such LHM pertinent por-
advised he will immediately pring to the attention of the Chicago Office any indication that DICK GREGORY has subsequently applied for a passport through the USPO here and in this event, Chicago will then submit appropriate LHM.

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# Domestic Intelligence Division

Date 11/18/65 Dick Gregory, Negro comedian is a known agitator and trouble maker; in the past he has been critical of the Director, FBI Agents and law enforcement in general. We received information from a source, whose reliability is unknown, that Gregory goes to Canada twice a month to meet a group of To date, we have not been Chinese. able to verify such travel. have previously received such news paper accounts that Gregory was contemplating running for Mayor of Chicago. We also previously received information that Gregory planned a trip to London. Legat London has been advised and instructed to alert pertinent sources. Civil Rights Division, military authorities and the State Department. have been apprised of the London tri

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The source advised that in the past various newspapers have indicated that GREGORY was half serious about running for Mayor of Chicago; further, that the press conference of 11/23/65, is supposed to be the formal announcement of GREGORY's intentions.

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Extreme caution must be exercised to protect the identity of the above informant, a highly valuable source, who could be readily identified in the event the above data is not also acquired from other sources.

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and two other individuals to defraud an insurance company of \$4600.00. Serials in Seattle file do not contain any information reflecting on racial matters or having any relevence to this present matter. On 10/28/58, DONALD C. MC MANNIS, Whitman County, Washington, Prosecutor, advised this office that was, in MC MANNIS' opinion, a somewhat "shady character" who practices hypnotic medicine and has, for many years, allowed prostitutes and pimps to come to his office in Colfax. He advised also that a dope addict, [ access to office and that he thought that could possibly be involved in transporting prostitutes to Idaho from Washington in a private plane that however, he said he had no proof of this. On 2/4/64, PHIL FARIS, Prosecuting Attorney of Whitman County, Colfax, Washington, advised that he had learned that a former Colfax resident and a frequent Colfax visitor, had recently been arrested in King County, Washington, on a possession of narcotics charge. He said it was his understanding that he had claimed that 🖫 the large quantity of narcotics in his possession were obtained by prescription from physician. He stated he also understood that when had been contacted, had vouched for the fact that he had prescribed for the narcotics in possession. FARIS has been a suspect in narcotic traffic in Colfax for years and was generally of an unsavory reputation. He has long associated with pimps, prostitutes. said . addicts and persons of questionable reputation for years. It is noted also that in Seattle letter to Chicago, 10/29/65, it was mentioned that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is presently awaiting a hearing in the State of Washington concerning his ethical and medical practices. No inquiry has at this time been made concerning however, SA ladvised that during investigations in the Colfax area in the past, he has observed that individuals generally regard "sort of a Robinhood", who has "loads of money and will treat

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patients who are without funds for considerable periods of time. SA advised also that persons knowing have generally indicated that he has some unsavory friends, and appears to be unable to stay away from pimps, prostitutes and narcotic addicts.

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No recontact of is contemplated by this office UACB.

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Director, FBI (100-440423)

DATE: 12/8/65

FROM

Legat, London (157-99) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY, aka Dick Gregory

ReBulet 11/15/65. There are enclosed original and four copies of memorandum containing information concerning subject, made available

a confidential source of this office. is T-1 in the enclosure. According to subject returns to the U.S. 12/9/65.

As there are no further leads outstanding this case is being placed in RUC status, but will be reopened should additional information be received.

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December 8, 1965

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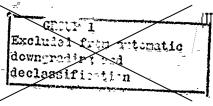
T-1, a confidential source abroad, advised on December 3, 1965, that subject, traveling on U. S. Passport E 500889, arrived in England at London Airport on November 28, 1965, and

While in England he has appeared in a few night clubs, and also, according to T-1, was to appear on British television on Sunday, December 5, 1965, on a panel show.

Subject did appear on television on the above date and was given the opportunity to again express his views on the civil rights issues in the United States. He made several statements indicating he thought the courts and jury system in the United States were stacked against Negroes, and himself in particular. He openly admitted on the television program that he was on bail from the United States and was to return to Chicago to face further charges. According to T-1, subject s bail in the United States expires on December 20, 1965.

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On December 13, 1965, a representative of the FBI reviewed the passport file at the Department of State on Richard Claxton Grégory and noted that he was issued Passport Number E500889 on June 12, 1964, at New York, New York, and that he had indicated his approximate departure date as June 14, 1964, via Air France for seven days to France, Germany, East Germany and Russia and the purpose of the trip was to attend the "World Peace Mission." Gregory indicated his permanent residence as 1451 East 55th Street, Apartment 929, Chicago, Illinois, and furnished the following description of himself in his application dated June 12, 1964:

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## RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY

Date of Birth:

October 12, 1932

Place of Birth:

St. Louis, Missouri Five feet ten inches

Height: Hair:

**Black** 

Eyes:

Brown

Marks:

None

Occupation:

Entertainer

Parents:

Presel Gregory, born 1898

in Missouri.

in Tennessee Lucille Franklin, born 1904

Gregory indicated in his application that he was

who was born on

married February 2, 1959 td and he also listed his

wife as the person to be notified in the event of death or accident.

Gregory's passport contained a restriction excluding travel to Albania, Cuba and those portions of China, Korea and Viet-Nam under communist control.

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SAC, CHICAGO (157-717) (C)

DEL'ONSTRATIONS, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, PROTESTING REHIRING OF SCHOOL SUPER-INTENDENT BENJAMIN C. WILLIS RACIAL MATTERS

ReCGlhm dated October 27, 1965, and CGairtel dated June 18, 1965.

The Chicago Division, during November, 1965, has been in daily contact with representatives of the Human Relations Section, Chicago, Illinois, Police Department, for information relating to demonstrations by captioned group. Dased on information received from these officers, as well as periodic spot checks by agents in the Chicago Division, it has been determined that the group ceased its demonstrations during the last days of October, 1965. No demonstrations were observed by the Chicago Division during November or December, 1965, and no information has been received from the Chicago Police Department which would indicate that there had been any such demonstrations during that period. In view of the foregoing, the Chicago Division is placing this case in a closed status.

It should be noted that CGairtel dated June 18, 1965, contained a lead for the Chicago Division to follow the disposition of the arrests of comedian DICK GREGORY which occurred on June 8 and 11, 1965, in connection with captioned demonstrations.

City of Chicago, on December 2, 1965, advised SA that GREGORY's trial date relating to his arrest on June 11, 1965, has tentatively been set for December 20, 1965, and the trial date for the June 8, 1965, arrest has tentatively been set for January 10, 1966.

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The Chicago Division currently has a case pending relating to DICK GREGORY (CGfile 157-347; Eufile 157-4253). Dispositions relating to the above-mentioned arrests will be obtained and the results will be furnished to the Eureau under the "DICK GREGORY" caption,

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Chicago, Illinois December 23, 1965

## DICK GREGORY INFORMATION CONCERNING

The "Chicago Daily News", a daily publication in Chicago, Illinois, dated December 21, 1965, carried an article captioned "200 to Aid Gregory's Campaign".

This article in summary states that Dick Gregory, the Negro entertainer who plans to run against Mayor Richard J. Daley in 1967, said that 200 civil rights workers will invade Chicago from June 15 through August 15, 1966, to help in his election campaign.

The workers, according to the article, were to be furnished by the National Headquarters of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE). These individuals will register voters as well as plug Gregory's candidacy. In return for their services Gregory has agreed to pay CORE \$40,000, enough to pay each worker \$25 a week for 8 weeks.

James Farmer, National Director of CORE, said in New York that the Chicago bound task force will be an unprecedented effort to register voters in city Negro ghettos. Farmer added that the short range goal was to help elect Mr. Gregory but that this voter registration has long range implications which extend far beyond this campaign. Farmer stated he regarded the political education of city Negroes, starting with voter registration, as a must if the civil rights movement is to succeed in the north. Farmer added that the CORE representatives assisting in the Gregory campaign would live with families in the Chicago area without charge.

The article in conclusion states that Gregory, who plans to run as an independent stated that his biggest

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Officer Human Relations Section, Chicago Police Department, on December 22, 1965, advised that his department had no further information relating to this matter and that the only knowledge of this proposed voters registration known to his department was that which appeared in the local newspapers.

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January 19, 1966 Legat, Ottawa Director, FBI (100-440423) 1 - Mr. Wacks 1 - Mr. Knickrehm RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY, also known as DICK!GREGORY RACIAL MATTERS ReBulet 12/9/65. In connection with the inquiry being made through to determine if are aware of any monthly visits of Gregory into mation has been received from an informant that Gregory is b7D believed to have departed New York City for Vancouver, British Columbia, on January 16, 1966, for approximately two The purpose of his trip was not known to the informant. weeks. Efforts should be made to verify Gregory's visit to Vancouver and to ascertain the purpose. The Bureau should be promptly advised of the results of the inquiry as soon as they are received by you from NOTE: Gregory is the Negro comedian who has been active in rights work. Legat Ottawa is making inquiry through as to whether or not and if so, b6 are aware or any monthly visits of Gregory the nature of his activities while The inquiry was initiated by the Bureau in view of information received from b7C one Washington, who informed our b7D Seattle Office on that was described as a person of poor reputation but it was deemed appropriate that his information be checked out. # 635NIC 11/20/10 #9 1 - Foreign Liaison Unit (route through for review) DeLoach REC- 18 / 00-44-04 Moht -JCT:all Casper. (6) Callahan Contad : Felt -JAN 20 1966 Gale Rosen i Sullivan Wick Tele. Room

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	INFORMATIVE NOTE	
	Date 1-20-66	
•	Dick Gregory is the Negro comedian who has been active in the Civil Rights Movement and who according to recent stories in the Chicago press is entering the political field and may run for the office of Mayor in Chicago. Reapportionment mentioned attached may be in reference to the question of reapportionment of varie congressional districts. According Bureau files, an expose of organized crime in Las Vegas, Nevada authored by	i.
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York January 18, 1966 CONFIDENTIAL

Dick Gregory Racial Matters

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Dick Gregory had planned to send a telegram to President Johnson, Justice Earl Warren and Attorney General Katzenbach announcing his intention to sue the Government concerning reapportionment. This same source advised that Gregory who is the said that one had evidence on seven Supreme Court Judges that could get them suspended. wanted \$5,000.00 in For this evidence, advance and \$1,000.00 travel expenses to come from San Francisco: DATE OF REVIEW GROUP 1 Excluded from automatic downgrading and declassification FGI ባን ሂተ THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS Jan ZB OF THE PRI.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (157-347)

RICHARD CLAXTION GREGORY, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

CITY NEWS BUREAU, CHICAGO, THIS DATE ADVISED PRESS RELEASE RECEIVED JANUARY TWENTY SIX, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX, FROM SHERMAN SKOLNICK, CHICAGO, IN BEHALF OF NEW YORK CITY, FOR DICK GREGORY, STATING GREGORY SENT TELEGRAM TO ATTORNEY GENERAL JANUARY TWENTY SIX INSTANT REQUESTING INVESTIGATION AND PROSECUTION OF US DISTRICT COURT CLERK ALBERT A. WAGNER, CHICAGO, CHARGING WAGNER WITH TAMPERING WITH SUMMONS AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE IN REAPPORTIONMENT SUIT IN FEDERAL COURT. GREGORY AND SKOLNICK STATE CLERK ALTERED DATES ON SUMMONS MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE NEW 15/00-44040 FOR US MARSHAL TO SERVE SUMMONS IN VIOLATION TWO SECTIONS US CODE. ASSISTANT U.S A HORNEY SUIT CHARGES AUSA AIDED CLERK WAGNERS IN OTHIS MATTER. CHICAGO TO JAN 28 1 1966 FILES PONTAIN NO GERTINENT INFORMATION RE SHERMAN SKOLNICK. MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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ADVISES GREGORY CURRENTLY KEEPING NIGHT CLUB ENGAGEMENT,

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA: BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF ANY

ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFORMATION RECEIVED.

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UNITED STATES GOV MemorandumDIRECTOR, FBI 1/31/66 DATE: TO CHICAGO (157-347) SUBJECT: RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY Re Chicago letter dated 12/6/65 captioned "DEMONSTRATIONS, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, PROTESTING REHIRING OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT BENJAMIN C. WILLIS, RACIAL MATTERS." Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of a letterhead memorandum relating to captioned individual. This letterhead memorandum is being furnished to the Bureau for income for the purposes and the surface for purposes and is not being disseminated locally. The Chicago Division will continue to follow the trials of subject relating to his June 11 and June 28, 1965 arnests. (2)- Bureau (Enc. 8) 2 - Chicago 1 - 157-413 2 rocal unit cap - med. FEB 9 1966 AJB/pas (4)1. thermofor 2/11/66 FCF/gpl none destroyed REC- 47 1.102 Copy to State fer lic film 806940. by routing slip, for Into , I detion 16 FEB. 3 1966 66 FEB 24 1966 417



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Chicago, Illinois January 31, 1966

## RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY RACIAL MATTERS

Corporations Counsel, City of Chicago, on January 12, 1966, advised that the trial of comedian Dick Gregory relating to his arrest on June 8, 1965, as a result of a sit-in at the Chicago Board of Education in Chicago, Illinois, began on January 10, 1966, and as of January 12, 1966, was still in session.

Stated that Gregory's trial relating to his June 11, 1965 arrest for assault and battery in connection with anti-School Superintendent Willis demonstrations was still pending and no trial date had been set.

added that Gregory's trial relating to his June 28, 1965 arrest in Chicago also as a result of the anti-Willis demonstrations, is also pending and the trial date is being continued on a day-to-day basis.

The "Chicago American", a Chicago daily newspaper, 3 Star Final, for January 14, 1966, carries an article relating to the trial of Dick Gregory for his June 8, 1965 arrest. This article in summary states that a criminal court jury in Chicago, after four hours of deliberation, was unable to reach a decision in this case. The article indicated Gregory was acquitted on the disorderly conduct charge but that the jury failed to agree on a verdict relating to the loitering charges against Gregory. The article stated that Gregory and others were arrested last summer in front of the Board of Education Building, 165 West Wacker Drive, in Chicago, Illinois, While protesting the re-hiring of Chicago Superintendent of Schools Benjamin C. Willis. Gregory at the trial, testified he was kneeling in prayer when police seized him and led them to their squadrol. The city prosecutor stated Gregory resisted

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#### RE: RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY

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request from the Department for Obstruction of Justice investigation or Administrative Inquiry concerning alleged actions as indicated herein of U. S. District Court Clerk Wagneb6 or Assistant U. S. Attorney b7C Chicago. In the absence of a request from the Department, no investigation is being conducted. You will be advised before any action is taken, should such request be received.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INTE MEATION FBI SEATTLE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HISLICE Mr. Tolson. 6:20 PM PST URGENT 0/5/66 DKT Mr. DeLoach. COMMUNICATIONS S Mr. Mohr EEB 5 Mr. Wick. DIRECTOR (100-440423); CHICAGO (157-347); MIAMI; LOS ANGELES Mr. Casper Mr. Callahan. Mr. Conrad .. FROM's SEATTLE (157-511) Mr. Felt. Mr. Gale. Mr. Resen Mr. Sulla RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY. RACIAL MATTERS. Mr. Tavel Mr. Trotter Tele. Room Miss Holmes. Miss Gandy RECGTEL TO BUREAU AND SEATTLE JANUARY NINETEEN LAST. GREGORY 'S ENGAGEMENT IN SEATTLE ENDS TONIGHT. GREGORY b6 b7C HAS STATED WILL GO TO MIAMI FOR ONE DAY PERFORMANCE, THEN MONTREAL AND NEW YORK. NO AIRLINES RESERVATION HERE IN GREGORY'S NAME . SEATTLE WILL ADVISE BY TEL IF SAME DETERMINED . | GREGORY'S ASSOCIATE, DEPARTED FOR CHICAGO, VIA UAL, NOON YESTERDAY NO INFORMATION RE ITINERARY OF GREGORY'S ASSOCIATE GREGORY BOOKED FOR SEATTLE PERFORMANCE LAST SEPTEMBER BY ASSOCIATED BOOKING CORP., BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF., AN AFFILIATE OF AMERICAN GUILD OF VARIETY ARTISTS. GUILD HEAD-QUARTERS AT FIVE FIVE ONE FIFTH AVE., NEW YORK, AND BRANCHES IN SAN FRANCISCO. LOS ANGELES, AND LAS VEGAS. LOS ANGELES AND MIAMI DETERMINE FUTURE ITINERARY. RETEL REQUESTED PURPOSE OF GREGORY'S TRIP BE DETERMINED AND NEW ORLEANS BE ADVISED IF ANY INFO RECEIVED INDICATED TRAVEL TO BOGALUSA. NY, SF, AND NO ADVISED BY AIRMAIL. REC-80 100-440423 - 1111 LA BEING ADVISED END MX L. . AW 12 FEB 7 1966 FBI WASH DC Elylle of H CG...JLV FBI MIAMI CC ( rauno

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## HE DOESN'T EAT WITH HIS EARS.

## Equality No Joke for Gregory



DICK GREGORY . .. jailed 50 times...

By DAYE ABLETT

Stand-up comedian Dick Gregory reached across a slice of ham and picked up a devilled egg.

"Just because I've got thick lips and nappy hair doesn't mean I cat steak by stuffing it in my ear," he

The line, the kind expected of the Negro comedian, would have drawn laughs in a nightclub.

Only nobody laughed because Gregory was deadly serious.

He was not seeking laughs as he talked to reporters Wednesday afternoon about the Negro revolution in America and his part in it. He would seek the laughs later on stage at the

Gregory would not have caten the steak if he had it --- he is a vegetarian and is as committed to it as he is non-violence, Negro equality and America. That is why he passed up the ham and went for the egg.

Being a Negro doesn't stop a .man from being drafted or dying in Viet Nam, he said, but nor does it force a man to kill.

"If I were drafted and sent to the front line, I'd go' on only one condition - that I didn't have to carry a: gun," said Gregory.

"Amedia is worth dying for but it's not worth killing 100-4401

Gregory has been to jail 50 times by his own count for taking part in demonstrations in cities ranging

Watts County; Los Angeles last summer.

He "estimates he has thrown \$2 million of his own money into the civil rights movement. In the last four years.

And he plans to run as an independent for the Chicago mayoralty in 1967 because he figures the racial lid is about to blow off there.

Gregory, is serious about running and serious about winning because he believes he can get 90 per cent of the – he doesn't Negro vote count on the other 10 per cent "because there some Negroes in Chicago who voted for Goldwater last year" - and 30 per cent of the white vote, and that 'should be enough.

Gregory's message basic.

"The richest white man is the same as the dumbest, most ignorant Negro," he said. "They both eat the same way.

"They breathe the same way. In fact, if I was a white man I'd be mad because Negroes have wider noses. They can get more air."、

But in present day America the Negro is not accept. ed as equal, he said.

"I want to be judged as a man under the Constitution of the United States," he said. "Not under the Civil Rights Bill of 1965.

"But-we will solve the problem in five years or it will solve us, he said.

America/as it) is now will cease to exist, he added. The answer as Gregory

sees it is simple. 🛶

VANCOVER SUN Vancouver, B.C.

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To:

SACS Chicago Los Angeles Miami

Seattle

From:

Director FBI

RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY RACIAL MATTERS

ResEtel to Director 2-5-66.

The checking of Gregory's itinerary may be discontinued. Therefore, Los Angeles and Miami may disregard leads set forth in retel. You should, of course, be alert to any information indicating that Gregory is going to participate in any civil rights activity and advise the Bureau by appropriate communication.

NOTE:

that Gregory was considering going to Bogalusa, Louisiana, in the near future to participate in civil rights demonstrations. The Chicago Office was requested to ascertain Gregory's itinerary. Chicago determined that Gregory left Chicago, Illinois, for Seattle,

The New Orleans Office received information on 1-14-66

Washington, on 1-19-66 and requested Seattle ascertain Gregory's purpose there and his subsequent itinerary. Inasmuch as Seattle advised that Gregory was fulfilling an entertainment committment in Seattle there is no purpose in continuing to ascertain his future

itinerary.

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RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY . RM .

AIRPORT SECURITY, SEATTLE-TACOMA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ADVISED GREGORY DID NOT DEPART ON FLIGHT ONE FIVE FOUR UAL SCHEDULED DEPARTURE SIX TWENTY PM INSTANT. GREGORY NOW HAS BOOKED RESERVATION UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHT ONE FIVE EIGHT DE-PARTING SEATTLE ONE AM TOMORROW ARRIVING CHICAGO SIX TWENTY-FIVE AM. LOS ANGELES, NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO, MIAMI, AND NEW ORLEANS

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RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY . RM .

AIRPORT SECURITY, SEATTLE-TACOMA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT,

VISED GREGORY BOOKED RESERVATION UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHT

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2/27/66	(Tentative) Scheduled for appearances at unknown clubs in Rochester; New York and Montreal, Canada.
3/3-6/66	Leo's Casino Cleveland, Ohio
3/13/66	One nighter at unknown club, Detroit, Michigan
3/27/66	Hollywood Palladium Hollywood, California
4/15,16,22, 23,29,30/66	Village Gate New York City, New York
May, 1966	No bookings with Associated Booking Corporation scheduled.
June and July, 1966	June 27th - July 30, 1966 Hungry I San Francisco, California

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has advised that subject and male and female Negro associate together at the Cave, but the other two are not part of the show. He believes woman's name is and man's name She is light-skinned with freckles and spots on her face, in her late 30's. is short with unusual shaped head and dark skinned. Subject has been interviewed on television and the press and the customers of the Cave during his show are staying away in droves. This informant advised he understands subject made derogatory remarks regarding the FBI and HOOVER, details set out hereafter from a different source. did not actually hear these particular remarks, but did hear other references in one or two shows regarding subject's being pursued by police and FBI for narcotics. One skit claims two policemen knocked on his door with search warrant for drugs. He pushed the little box of dope under the door and told them their search warrant was now no good and then called the FBI and told them two policemen were at the door trying to sell him dope. Another skit pertained to FBI hiding in the bushes trying to catch him with the little box of marijuana. Confidential source employed at the Cave, advised subject has a hatred of whites in general and also of the FBI and Mr. HOOVER. He has referred to the FBI on occasion in his skits, but not in each show. However, in one show he stated how he did not like HOOVER, and that "HOOVER is a goddamn bastard and nothing but a homosexual and a close friend of WALTER JENKINS." This source has also heard other references to Agents hiding in the bushes to catch him with his little box, but he is too cozy to be caught. advised he has made references to "LBJ" and Vietnam in a derogatory manner, without specifics, except he did state, "LBJ has guts enough to stand on the White House lawn to show his operation -- its a good thing he was not operated on for hernia."

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advised he is drawing extremely poor crowds.

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He furnished similar data regarding the two people with him and advised that two white men arrived later this week.

He believes the woman and Negro male with GREGORY could be on narcotics because of their actions, but has no knowledge of any reason they are with him in Vancouver. None of the crowd go to the usual after-hours spots, but all go to their hotel after the shows.

Discreet investigation will continue at the Edge-water Inn, Seattle. Record of calls listed on attached sheet are being left to discretion of Chicago as to further investigation desired.

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"GREGORY is bitter, vindictive, malicious all there's this feeling of triumph because white people côme and pay to see him ... and be insulted. He's intelligent and clever, but his egotism is stronger than his mind."

Edgewater Secretary to the Inn, Pier 67, Seattle, Washington, on February 4, 1966, made available to this office a copy of the contract between the Edgewater Inn and the Associated Booking Corp., 9477 Brighton Way, Beverly Hills, California, which agreement was made on September 28, 1965. It is noted that this contract, a copy of which is also being furnished to the Office of Origin, indicates that GREGORY received \$5,000.00 plus a gratis suite of rooms, for his performance there for six nights.

stated that GREGORY caused no disturbances of any kind while at the Edgewater Inn, but she did note that there was much discussion pro and con concerning GREGORY's appearance there and that numerous persons had complained about the type of material he was presenting. She said they had also received several letters criticizing the Inn for having booked GREGORY.

(Protect) on Fébruary 7, 1966 furnished this office pages 5 and 6 of the February 2, 1966 issue of "the peak", a campus publication of the Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, B.C., Canada, which contained an article captioned "no massa, I don't wanna sit in the back of the bus", purporting to reflect the results of an interview of GREGORY by Dr. BOTTOMORE, of the P.S.A. Department. The original of this page is being furnished the office of origin and a copy is being furnished the Bureau

No information has come to the attention of this office concerning GREGORY's subsequent itinerary, however, it is noted that he departed Seattle on February 8, 1966, as set out in Seattle teletype February 7, 1966. Prior to departure, he was quoted by various news media as stating that he would again return to the State of Washington with to participate in "fish-ins" with Indians on the Nisqually River, near Olympia, Washington. GREGORY's attending a "fish-in" has been characterized as a publicity stunt in news articles which are being furnished the Bureau and Office of Origin.

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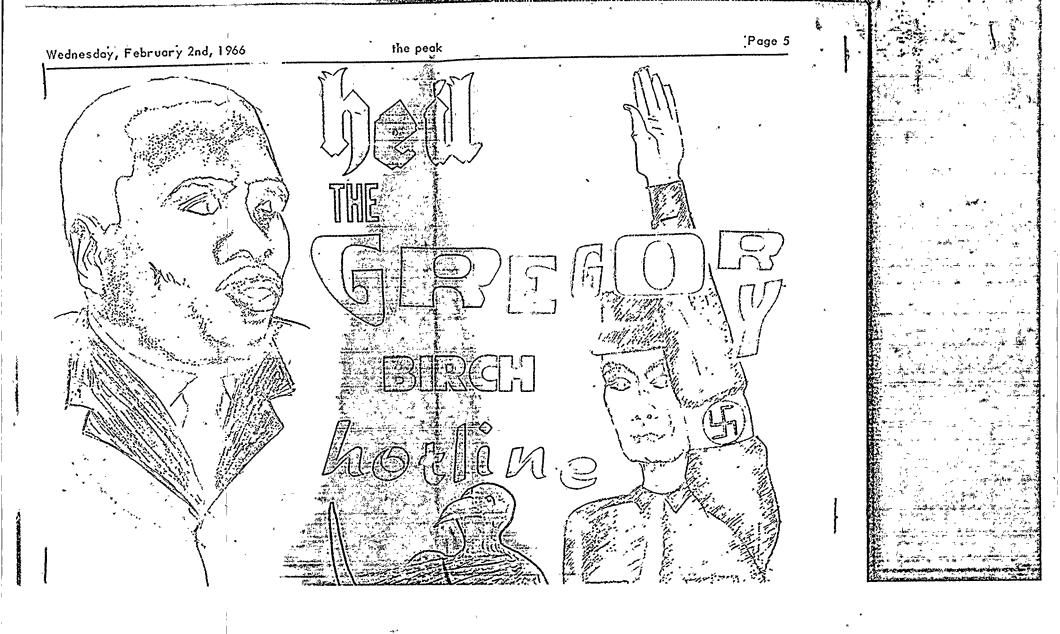
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In conjunction with a Student executive Council sponsored luncheon and tour of the University, the "PEAK" arranged an interview with Dick Gregory and Dr. Bottomore. Dr. Bottomore, head of the P.S.A. dept., who is just having a book on classes published in the States, had a number of pertinent questions to put to Gregory.

Gregory, one of the most controversial comedians on the American night club scene, has participated in boycotts, sit-ins, stall-ins, marches and Freedom Rides throughout the United States. He is credited in "Playboy" as becoming the first negro comedian to break into the big leagues of show business and the only entertainer of any color to commit his fame and fortune even his physical well-being to the cause of racial equality.

Dr. Bottomore: I'm interested in Marxism and Classism. I don't know the United States well, but the Negro revolt seems to me to be one of the most hopeful things happening in America. What do you think will be the outcome of it?

Gregory: I can't see anything but mass destruction. Demonstrations wake up people, but they don't solve the problem. What's happening in America it seems to me is that we give an examination and find out that there's cancer, but the doctor keeps telling us it's a headache, which is what you want to hear, but you are gone a die.



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"A warrant for Gregory's arrest was issued after he went fishing with three Indians on the Nisqually River yesterday. He netted one steelhead."

The Bureau will be advised of any pertinent developments.

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Re New Orleans teletype to Director, 1/14/66; Los Angeles teletype to Director, 1/15/66; Chicago teletypes to Director, 1/15/66 and 1/19/66; New York teletype to Director 1/17/66; Butol to Chicago, 2/7/66, captioned RICEARD CLAXTON GREGORY, RM (cc Los Angeles, Miami and Seattle).

Referenced Dureau teletype, 2/7/66, advised indicated offices to discontinue checking GREGORY's itinerary. However, indicated offices are to remain alert for any information indicating that GREGORY is going to participate in any civil rights activity and advise the Eureau by appropriate communication.

In view of the above, Chicago is conducting no further investigation relating to GREGORY's alleged future appearance in Bogalusa. Chicago will remain alert for any information indicating participation in civil rights activity on GREGORY's part.

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Immediately advise whether Gregory presently incarcerated and if not was he released on bond. return airtel submit the above requested information and details concerning his arrest in letterhead memorandum form suitable for dissemination.

#### NOTE:

Seattle advised by airtel 2-15-66 that Dick Gregory Negro comedian was jailed in Seattle, Washington on two counts of illegal net fishing on the Nisqually River. Gregory had been conducting a fish-in with the Indians on the Nisqually River where the Endians have in the past held fish-ins in a continuing dispute with the State of Washington over tribal fishing rights claimed by treaty. Seattle is being instructed to furnish a letterhead memorandum concerning this fish-in and Gregory's subsequent arrest.

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Seattle, Washington February 21, 1966

RE: / RICHARD CLAXTON/GREGORY

"The Seattle Daily Times", a daily paper published at Seattle, Washington, on February 15, 1966, contained an article entitled, "DICK GREGORY Goes to Jail for Fishing", which states:

"DICK GREGORY, Negro comedian, was jailed here today on two counts of illegal net fishing on the Nisqually River.

"A warrant was issued for the arrest of his wife, LILLIAN, on two other counts of illegal fishing with gill nets.

"GREGORY was taken into custody at the County-City Building in Tacoma.

"Gov. DAN EVANS said the state had delayed taking action against GREGORY, hoping that GREGORY and the Indians would see 'that this was not the right way to proceed.

"EVANS said GREGORY's action 'is obviously a violation of law that has nothing to do with Indian fishing rights or anything else.

"He said GREGORY had not only violated the state's fishery - conservation laws but had gone fishing without a state license.

"GREGORY, a candidate for Chicago mayor and an active civil-rights worker, said he would go to jail rather than pay the \$2,000 bail set by Thurston County Superior Court Judge Hewitt Henry.

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"A warrant for GREGORY's arrest was issued after he went fishing with three Indians on the Nisqually River yesterday. He notted one steelhead."

The "Seattle Post-Intelligencer) (PI), a daily newspaper published in Seattle, Washington, on February 16, 1966, contained an article entitled, "GREGORY Denies Guilt in Net-Fishing Case", which states:

"Comedian DICK GREGORY and his wife both pleaded not guilty to charges of illegally fishing with a set net in their arraignment at Thurston County Superior Court Tuesday.

"Judge HEWITT HENRY set a trial date for the pair for the week of May 23.

"Bail was also reduced to \$500 each by Judge HENRY. Original bail had been \$2,000 for each.

"Despite the reduction, GREGORY and his wife decided, to remain in jail, at least overnight.

"The reduction was made after GREGORY's attorney,
JAMES McIVER, argued that the comedian's record of court
trials showed he had always returned to stand trial in
court cases concerning civil rights in which the comedian
was involved.

"Thurston County Assistant Prosecution Attorney JEROME L. BUZZARD said there was no guarantee that GREGORY and his wife would return to stand trial.

"'Who knows what his interests will be six months from now-he might be in Selma, Ala., with more serious trouble, BUZZARD said.

"After the arraignment, GREGORY told newsmen he did not know how long he would stay in jail. 'I plan to sleep on that' decision, he said."

The "Seattle P-I" on February 17, 1966, contained an article entitled, "Indians: 'GREGORY Hurts Cause'", which states in part:

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"The chairman of the Nisqually Tribal Council said Wednesday the Nisqually Indians did not ask Negro commedian DICK GREGORY to help them and do not like what he has done in embracing their cause.

"'He is trying to turn this into a civil rights issue,' said ELMER KALAMA of Yelm. 'We are not fighting for civil rights. We have our civil rights. We can vote and do anything any other citizen can do.

"'We are fighting for our fishing rights and he is hurting our cause.'

"KALAMA said he would be just as happy if GREGORY would go back to Chicago and resume his campaign for mayor of the Windy City."

"The Seattle Daily Times" on February 17, 1966, contained an article entitled, "DICK GREGORY Leaves Jail; Wife Stays", which states in part that ELMER KALAMA, Yelm, Washington, the Chairman of the Nisqually Tribal Council, said yesterday that most "of the Indians who fished with the GREGORYs aren't members of the Nisqually Tribe. He said he has asked his people to fish on their reservation until the dispute is settled in court.

"While GREGORY and his wife say in jail the comedian received support from BERTRAND PUSSELL, philosopher, in London and the Rev. Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., in Atlanta.

"RUSSELL telegraphed: 'Fully support stand on fishing rights. Have called JOHNSON for your release.'

"Dr. KING telegraphed: 'You are to be congratulated on your forthright stand which you have taken on behalf of another oppressed minority, the Nisqually Indians.'

"KALAMA objected to that. He said he doesn't consider his people an oppressed minority."

The "Seattle\_P-I" on February 18, 1966, contained an article entitled, "DICK GREGORY Talks--Fish Nets Confiscated", which states in part:

"While Indians were listening to Negro comedian DICK GREGORY discuss their fishing rights Thursday, state game protectors confiscated Indian fish nets from the Nisqually River.

"WALTER NEUBRECH, chief enforcement officer for the State Game Department, told United Press International his men had seized two nets.

"Meanwhile, GREGORY was telling a student crowd at St. Martin's College he plans to sue the State of Washington for false arrest...."

"He denied he had joined Indian fish-ins for personal publicity and contended the trouble over Indian fishing rights was instigated by the sports-fishing lobby.

"GREGORY, who cracked a few jokes for an appreciative audience, was hild in his denunciation of the state in comparison with BOB SATIACUM, self-styled chief of the Puyallups.

"SATIACUM, who was decked out in a Plains Indian costume, though the Puyallups aren't Plains Indians, said:

"'Almost every word the state puts out is a lie.'

"He charged that state conservation measures are merely a subterfuge to deprive the Indian of his fishing rights.

"JANET McCLOUD, a Tulalip Indian who lives near Yelm and has been a frequent vocal foe of the state, said that 'destruction of the salmon begins in the spawning beds.

"'But the state doesn't arrest the polluters,' she said.

"SATIACUM traced the history of his and other Indians' battles with the state.

"'If the state would send some fish and game men to Viet Nam and they would use the same tactics there that they use on us, the war probably would be over sooner, he said.

"J. E. LASATER, assistant director of the State Department of Fisheries, told the audience that unrestricted fishing with nets in rivers would deplete seed stocks of salmon and ruin the fish runs.

"He said that the state isn't trying to break the 1854 Treaty of Medicine Creek, which gives the Indians the right to fish 'in their usual and accustomed ground' forever 'in common with other citizens.' But he said the state does insist, until a federal court rules otherwise, that it has the right to regulate all fishing off reservations..."

"All speakers at St. Martin's got enthusiastic applause--but SATIACUM drew some booing when he made his charge that the state lies."

"The Seattle Daily Times" on February 18, 1966, contained an article entitled, "GREGORY Seeks Aid for Indians", which states in part:

"DICK GREGORY, Negro comedian, released from jail here yesterday after posting \$500 bond, flew to Chicago last night to gather support for a group of Indians in their dispute with the state over fishing rights.

"He said he would meet with civil-rights leaders in the East to plan nation-wide demonstrations for the Indians, then meturn here next week..."

"Gregory's lawyer bailed him out but Mrs. GREGORY planned to stay in jail. 'It's up to her when she wants to come out,' GREGORY said..."

"Yesterday afternoon five Indians paddled a leaky dugout canoe down the Nisqually River east of here and staged another fish-in while GREGORY watched from the river bank.

"As the Indians hauled in four steelhead from a net laid near a highway bridge over the river GREGORY hollered, 'Bring the fish over here, I don't want to get mud on my shoes.'

"Before going to the river, GREGORY, several Puyallup and Tulalip Indians and J. E. LASATER, assistant director

of the State Department of Fisheries, participated in a panel discussion at St. Martin's College here.

"None of the Nisqually Tribal Council attended. Student leaders who arranged the discussion said none had been invited..."

"The Seattle Sunday Times" on February 20, 1966, contained an article entitled, "Indians March in Olympia; 6 To Camp on White House Lawn," which states in part:

"A group of 35 Indians marched briefly today in a protest demonstration over fishing rights on the Nisqually River east of here (Olympia).

"They gathered near the totem pole on the Capitol grounds, marched about a block to the Thurston County Courthouse where Mrs. DICK GREGORY is held in jail, sent in a bouquet of flowers which Mrs. GREGORY acknowledged by waving from a barred fourth-floor window, and then proceeded to the grounds of the executive mansion.

"A small detachment of state patrolmen refused to let the group approach the official residence of Gov. and Mrs. DAN EVANS.

"Mrs. JANET McCLOUD, spokesman for the Survival of American Indians Association, announced that six Indians will go to Washington, D.C. to organize an Indian encampment.

"She said they will camp on the White House lawn and remain there until President JOHNSON acts 'to protect Indian treaties.'..."

"Mrs. McCLOUD said no date has yet been set for the trip to Washington.

"While in the nation's capital, she said inquiries will be made to see whether the United States is living up to its obligations under all Indian treaties.

"Mrs. McCLOUD paid tribute to Mrs. GREGORY, saying few persons had helped their cause as much as the GREGORIES.

"'How many of our own people would go to jail and risk a \$1,000 fine when it was not even their own cause?' she asked the group of Indians.

"Indians to Seek Ban Against Gregory"

"The Puyallup and Nisqually Tribal Councils will seek an enjoinder to ban the Negro comedian, DICK GREGORY, from fishing in their waters, FRANK WRIGHT, chairman of the Puyallup Tribal Council, said today."

"WRIGHT said the two councils feel that the civilrights issue and the Indian-fishing issue are separate problems.

"GREGORY was in the East today where he said he intended to consult civil-rights leaders and seek their support for the Indians. He said he planned to return to Olympia next week...."

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A source advised on February 14, 1966, that the National Committee Plenum of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) was held February 11 - 13, 1966, at SWP headquarters, 873 Broadway, New York City.

Dick Fraser, a National Committee member from Seattle, Washington. According to the source, Fraser did not plan to attend this plenum inasmuch as he and the Seattle Branch have split from the SWP, which action is not known as yet by the Party.

According to Fraser, he was urged by the National Secretariate of the SWP to attend this plenum and accepted after the Party offered to pay his expenses to and from the plenum.

Source stated that according to Fraser, the main point brought up at the plenum was an attack by the Party leadership on himself and the Seattle Branch. It was voted at the plenum to censure Fraser and colonize this branch. The attack, led by Farrell Dobbs, National Secretary of the SWP, accused Fraser of having a split. This prospective and of carrying on anti-Party activity. This activity included the distribution of factional material to other branches including the Vancouver, Canada, Branch which had sent copies of literature from Fraser to Party headquarters in New York City.

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During his stay in New York City, Fraser continued to negotiate the possibility of collaboration, if not unification, between himself and his dissident SWP followers with the Progressive Labor Party (PLP) or the Workers World Party (WWP). Fraser also has certain contacts in the civil rights movement in the South and he is reportedly hoping to unify this group of individuals.

During the evening of February 12, 1966, Fraser held a conference with Dick Gregory, the comedian and civil rights activist, at the Village Gate in New York City. Fraser described Gregory as a friend of his and added that he had many civil rights contacts in the South, particularly in the Freedom Democratic Party.

Fraser further related that he would probably announce the split of the Seattle Branch of the SWP from the Party in approximately three weeks.

A characterization of the PLP, WWP and the SWP - Seattle Branch is contained herein.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY (PLP)
PROGRESSIVE LABOR MOVEMENT (PLM)

A source advised on April 20, 1965, that the PLP, formerly known as the PLM, held its first national convention April 15-18, 1965, at New York City, to organize the PLM into a PLP. The PLP will have as its ultimate objective the establishment of a militant working class movement based on Marxism-Leninism.

"The New York Times," City Edition, Tuesday, April 20, 1965, page 27, reported that a new party of "revolutionary socialism" was formally founded on April 18, 1965, under the name of the PLP. The PLP was described as an outgrowth of the PLM. Its officers were identified as MILTON ROSEN, New York, President, and WILLIAM EPTON of New York and MORT SCHEER of San Francisco, Vice Presidents. A 20-member National Committee was elected to direct the party until the next convention.

According to the article, "The Progressive Labor Movement was founded in 1962 by Mr. ROSEN and Mr. SCHEER after they were expelled from the Communist party of the United States for assertedly following the Chinese Communist line."

The PLP publishes the Marxist-Leninist Quarterly"; a theoretical magazine; "Progressive Labor," a monthly magazine; "Challenge," a New York City newspaper; and "Spark", a west coast newspaper.

The June 1, 1965, issue of "Challenge", page 6, states that, "this paper is dedicated to fight for a new way of life-where the working men and women own and control their homes, factories, the police, courts, and the entire government on every level."

The source advised that the PLP utilizes the address of General Post Office Box 808, Brooklyn 1, New York, but also utilizes an office in Room 622, 132 Nassau Street, New York City, where PLP publications are prepared.



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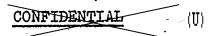
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#### SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY - SEATTLE BRANCH

In May, 1941, a source advised that during the month of May, 1941, the Seattle Branch of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) was reorganized and received official recognition as a branch of the Party from the national office of the SWP in New York, New York.

On May 24, 1965, another source advised that the Seattle Branch, SWP, with headquarters at 3815 5th Avenue Northeast, Seattle, is a present affiliate of the National SWP, following the aims and principles of the National SWP. According to the source, membership in the Seattle Branch included RICHARD FRASER, who is a member of the SWP National Committee, and his wife, CLARA FRASER, who is an alternate member of the SWP National Committee.

The Socialist Workers Party has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.



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#### WORKERS WORLD PARTY

On April 17, 1959, a confidential source advised that on February 12, 1959, a Socialist Workers Party (SWP) minority group under the leadership of National Committee member, SAM BALLAN, split from the SWP.

The source stated that this minority group, referred to as the Marcyites, after many years of program and policy differences on varied issues concerning tactics and interpretation of political events, split from the SWP on the grounds that the Party was liquidating itself by departing from the Marxist precepts of LEON TROTSKY and retreating from the fight for the world socialist revolution. The final issue which ultimately forced the split was the minority's opposition to the SWP regroupment policy which involved co-operation with the Communist Party (CP) periphery-individuals characterized by the minority as petty-bourgeois.

The minority program, according to source, advocated unconditional defense of the Soviet Union and has as its goal the building of a revolutionary party with a complete proletarian orientation for the purpose of overthrowing capitalism in the United States and throughout the world.

On May 12, 1960, source advised that this minority group had chosen the name Workers World Party:

On May 3, 1965, second source advised that the Workers World Party, which maintains headquarters at 46 West 21st Street, New York, New York, supports the People's Republic of China in its ideological dispute with the Soviet Union.

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# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Seattle, Washington March 2, 1966

#### RE: RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY

By memorandum dated February 21, 1966, this office furnished information concerning comedian DICK GREGORY, who was arrested on two counts of illegal net fishing on the Nisqually River, near Olympia, Washington.

"The Seattle Daily Times", a newspaper published in Seattle, Washington, on March 2, 1966, contained an article entitled, "GREGORY RE-ARRESTED IN FISH PROTEST", which states:

"DICK GREGORY, Negro comedian, was released from the Thurston County jail this morning after posting \$1,000 bail on a charge of illegal net fishing in the Nisqually River.

"GREGORY took part in a demonstration by Indians against the state's fish-conservation regulations.

"At the time of his arrest, GREGORY was free on \$500 bond on an earlier fishing violation.

"The trial on both charges was set for May 23.

"Warrants for two Indians who participated in the same demonstration were issued yesterday. The Indians are ALVIN BRIDGES and HERMAN JOHNS. Bench warrants also were issued in Pierce County for BRIDGES and JOHNS and two other Indians, LEWIS SQUALLY and LEONARD SQUALLY, brothers, charging them with failure to appear in court on charges resulting from an earlier net-fishing incident.

"GREGORY DID NOT resist arrest. However, JANET McCLOUD and her sister-in-law, EDITH McCLOUD, both Indians, protested so violently they were arrested.

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"Mrs. GREGORY, who was arrested two weeks ago with her husband and was released on \$500, was present but did not take part in the demonstration.

"Four Muckleshoot Indians, SHERMAN DOMINICK, LARRY MAURICE, and CECIL and ROBERT MOSES were to be cited in King County Superior Court for violating an order barring Indians from fishing in the Green River off their reservation."

Various news media, subsequently on March 2, 1966, carried news items indicating that DICK GREGORY had been freed from the Thurston County Jail on \$1,000.00 bond and had returned to Chicago with his wife, LILLIAN. They further indicated that GREGORY had apparently caught a bad case of the flu, was feeling "miserable" and said he wanted to see his doctor at home (Chicago, Illinois).

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# Dick has the tools, uses them skilfully

ne of the best acts to hit Vancouver in years was (Dick Gregory) possibly the best standup, comedian in the U.S.A. His audience at the Cave (where he appeared from January 19 to 29) roared at this one: "I like the way you treat your Negroes in Vancouver—all six of them."

It's a pity he didn't appear at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre instead of a cabaret, because this cat has a message for everybody. Gregory is very active in the Negro struggle for civil rights and has been jailed more than fifty times.

As a Negro, he has known poverty and discrimination. He is an artist with a social message. Where other people make speeches for civil rights and peace, which is necessary, Gregoryuses the caustic wit, ridicule and bitter-sweet irony of a first-rate comedian.

Gregory has been on civil rights picket lines in many U.S. cities and suffered a gunshot wound in the Los Angeles riots last year, riots provoked by police violence against Negroes.

He is currently considering offering himself as a candidate for the mayor's office in Chicago, on a civil rights platform. No one can say that fame and wealth have corrupted this fine artist. He has given \$2 million to the civil rights movement.

Referring to his popular book, called "Nigger," he brought the house down when he said "My ambition is to put a nigger in every American home."

Like most good comedians, his dialogue is topical, including L.B.J.'s foreign policy (which he ridicules), the Ecumenical Council, the need to recognize China, Birmingham; birth control, space exploration and local issues.

Referring to the heavy snow we had in Vancouver, he said that friends had phoned his hotel to apologize. "There's, no need to apologize. Snow is the only white thing I can walk over!"

There's a picture book on sale at the Co-op Bookstore, 341 West Pender, Vancouver, called "Dick Gregory, What's Happening?" It contains a collection of Gregory's best jokes, illustrated by some very amusing photographs.

Gregory, himself, posed in costume for most of the photos. It's well worth \$2.35. For example: "Sheriff, why do you want to waste tear gas on us? We got enough to cry about already!"

-Jack Phillips

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How do you tell a group of people that a guy burns a draft card and in five days you're gonna have a dandy draft card burning, but you can lynch my grandma, and the government can't get involved. I'm telling you - you think more of a piece of cardboard than my grandma, and you're gonna be in trouble. A hundred years we've been trying to get an anti-lynching deal, but we can't,

lege kids having some fun. The best thing for them to do, would be not to burn a lot of draft cards 'cause they'd get in a lot of trouble. They can bomb a Negro church and the government can't get involved.

BOTTOMORE: Yes, but do you think burning draft cards is a good thing?

GREGORY: Well, the fact is, it's a legitimate protest. All they are trying to say is, it's a new day now. These kids have watched war, they're not hungry any more. The ones that make the best army are the hungry ones, and Americans are not hungry.

BOTTOMORE: There are so many things happening in the States now, the Negro revolt, the students' activities. Can these things change society, make it better altogether?

GREGORY: Rome didn't change. Rome fell.

BOTTOMORE: Rome fell, but other countries didn't. ish problem. There was the French revolution.

GREGORY: When a country gets too strong for you to - run your own government, you burn it down, but in America you're not about to outdo the Army, the Navy, the Airforce, all the missiles, the State Police, the Local Police, the FBI, the CIA.

we'd ask the guy, and we'd say, look this is what we're going to do. But we aren't about to go downtown and take anything away from that man, so you can't get groups of people together.

When you have something spontaneous, then it takes on, the South.

honesty instead of trying to light it with emotion. Any problem man has created, man can solve, but there is the basic problem of will he? It's gone beyond the point of no return.

BOTTOMORE: Do you think it has gone that far? GREGORY: I would definitely say so.

.BOTTOMORE: Sometimes people get more honest when they are under pressure.

GREGORY: Well, like I say, it's headed that way. . It's just one lie after another. You take what happened in Panama. A Panamanian came out and tore up the American flag, and they have yet to call him a hoodlum. People do everything around the world in the name of freedom, and the black man do the same thing in America, and get called a hoodlum.

BOTTOMORE: Yes, but if it did turn into something different, would, it be more like socialism? I mean for everybody, not just the Negro.

GREGORY: Nobody knows. If we can make the constitution work right, it will have worldwide, implica tions. If we can't make it work right there will be tremendous trouble. We're not trying to pass laws in America to make people like each other. We're just trying to pass laws to adjust social behaviour. This Actually, what it amounts to is a bunch of white col-, is all. You don't have to love me. We have to pass a law, so that you can't lynch me if you don't like me.

You ask me what turn it's going to take. I'll tell you, as I see it now, it's very bad.

BOTTOMORE: . Do you think the ideas of the rest of the world have much influence.

GREGORY; Yes. We didn't get civil rights legislation out of the goodness of America's heart, but you get out in the street and disrupt the peace and the whole world knows about it. -

The African countries had more than that. They made a tremendous difference. It's something to have them take \$10,000,000 a day while you're lynching negroes in Mississippi.

It's the same situation in Canada. All Canada would have to do to become a world power is to straighten up the Indian problem, the French problem and the Jew-

Ghandi made India a world power by being a nice guy. In the case of Canada, being this close to America, if she could only solve her social problems, she would set an example:

Canada makes the same mistake with her problems as we've made in the Northern States. We keep dump-You see, in America, if we could have a revolution, ing it on Mississippi. And the same thing will happen in Canada as happened in the States. As the South starts correcting her problem, what can the North put the blame on? So everybody forgets about the problems in the North, and they are far more frightening than in

troved was a psychological victory for the negro, and the fact that 20 negroes were killed was a psychological victory for the white bigot. Everybody held-their-own,-It was a good game.

What happens when they train negroes to kill? Then you get 25,000 soldiers involved in 20 cities. We haven't got soldiers enough for that. Then you bring the marines back from Viet Nam, which might not be a bad idea.

BOTTOMORE: I think that's true. When I was in Chicago at the end of August there was a demonstration next door.

GREGORY: We all came out because you all was there. BOTTOMORE: I was interviewed by the press. They were frightened to death about the negro problem and they said conditions were the same in Chicago as in Los

GREGORY: Worse, Much more bitter. They'll fight harder in Chicago. Watts is justified by the American Declaration of Independence. Watts is a good American tradition, but basically it is a materialistic thing.

The guy who can't afford ten loaves of bread is a patriot. He's got to be 'cause he's got no money to hoard,

The white man relaxes because we're only ten percent of the population, and he can never realize that ten' percent can destroy a society.



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In conjunction with a Student executive Council sponsored luncheon and tour of the University, the "PEAK" arranged an interview with Dick Gregory and Dr. Bottomore. Dr. Bottomore, head of the P.S.A. dept., who is just having a book on classes published in the States, had a number of pertinent questions to put to Gregory.

Gregory, one of the most controversial comedians on the American night club scene, has participated in boycotts, sit-ins, stall-ins, marches and Freedom Rides throughout the United States. He is credited in "Playboy" as becoming the first negro comedian to break into the big leagues of show business and the only entertainer of any color to commit his fame and fortune even his physical well-being - to the cause of racial equality.

Dr. Bottomore: I'm' interested in Marxism and Classism. I don't know the United States well, but the Negro revolt seems to me to be one of the most hopeful things happening in America. What do you think will be the outcome of it?

Gregory: I can't see anything but mass destruction. Demonstrations wake up people, but they don't solve the problem. What's happening in America it seems to me is that we give an examination and find out that there's cancer, but the doctor keeps telling us it's a headache, which is what you want to hear, but you are gonna die.



the same pattern as tornadoes and earthquakes. You never know how much they're going to destroy. America would be better off with 20 people in 20 different cities. Then they would have somebody to blame it on.

Try to blame it on the communists like Billy Graham. There aren't enough communists in the world to stand on every corner in the Negro ghetto and wait for

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The white man in the South is honest, but in the North he lies. In the South the Negro has learned to live with it. The northern Negro is bothered by the South. He sees his southern brother standing there being lynched and he learns to resent him too.

All I can say about the North, if they don't make drastic changes there'll be 20 Watts this summer. Watts itself wasn't hade at s. what in 1931 to 300,000 negroes flying the watts and confer \$ 000 capagent. What happens

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois April 25, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 157-347

# RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY RACIAL MATTERS

J'The Chicago Tribune", a Chicago daily newspaper, for April 21, 1966, carried an article captioned "Gregory Asks To Be Tried In U. S. Court."

This article in summary states that Dick Gregory, Comedian and civil rights agitator asserted that Negroes are being excluded from the jury in his trial in criminal court and because of this he could not get a fair trial. These allegations were made in a petition filed with the clerk of the Federal District Court asking the Federal court to take jurisdiction in this case. Gregory in this petition assertedned his constitutional and civil rights were being denied him.

The article in conclusion points out that Gregory is scheduled to go on trial in Municipal Court on charges of resisting arrest and battery. These charges stem from his arrest on June 11, 1965, while leading a demonstration in Chicago, Illinois. Gregory's petition for a change of venue to the Federal Court was assigned to Judge Bernard M. Decker for a hearing.

"The Chicago Daily News," a Chicago daily newspaper, for April 23, 1966, contained an article captioned "Gregory's Lawyer Planning Appeal."

This article in summary states that Mrs. Jean Williams, Lawyer for Dick Gregory, was preparing an appeal from his conviction on charges of battery and resisting arrest. The article indicates that a jury in circuit court on April 22, 1966, found Gregory guilty of the charges stemming from his arrest on June 11, 1965, during a march protesting the administration of school superintendent Benjamin C. Willis.

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Attorney Williams declined to enlarge on her appeal but indicated she was calling out of town experts on Jury selection and constitutional law to aid her. She contended that Gregory's trial in circuit court violated his civil rights.

The article indicates that atcGregory's trial policemen and other witnesses testified Gregory kicked police officers as they carried him into a squadrol.

Magistrate Maurice W. Lee, who presided at Gregory's trial, set May 2 as the date for sentencing Gregory.

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## RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY RACIAL MATTERS

"The Denisonian," the weekly publication of Denison University, Granville, Ohio, for March 11, 1966, carried an article entitled "Gregory: Vivid Image of Protest." This article, in summary, states that Negro comedian, Dick Gregory, spoke before a crowd of 1,200 people in Livingston Gymnasium at Denison University on March 6, 1966. Gregory's speech was sponsored by the Celebrity Lecture Series.

Gregory, during his speech, stated that the "laws of nature" dictated Negro uprisings and that "criminal conditions, not criminal people" were responsible for race organizations rioting and looting in the Watt's section of Los Angeles. Gradual education, according to Gregory, is not the answer to the present racial crises. Gregory stated that man is born with all the education he needs to realize he has the right to live in dignity.

Gregory in his speech predicted a racial uprising in Chicago stating, "Chicago's gonna bust this summer. When it does, it's gonna make Watts look like a picnic for the Pope." Gregory implied that conditions in the Windy City were largely due to inequities felt under the regime of present Mayor, Richard J. Daley, whom Gregory will oppose on an independent ticket in the November elections.

Gregory in his speech drew a parallel between the grip of the Ku Klux Klan in the South and the close association of many northern city political machines and underworld syndicates.

Gregory at the conclusion of his speech outlined his campaign plans for the Chicago Mayoral race. He indicated he expected to pool 90% of the Negro votes and 30% of the white votes in Chicago. He indicated that by doing this he will be able to break the Daley machine in Chicago.

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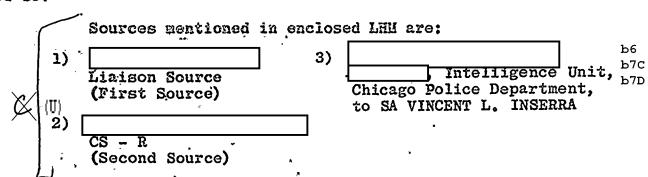
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Copies of attached LHM are being furnished to the office of the United States Attorney, U.S. Secret Service and Region I, 113th INTC Group.